

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD
Reserve, Louisiana**

**Comprehensive Annual
Financial Report**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

Under provisions of state law, this report is a public document. A copy of the report has been submitted to the entity and other appropriate public officials. The report is available for public inspection at the Baton Rouge office of the Legislative Auditor and, where appropriate, at the office of the parish clerk of court.

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4/8/09

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Executive Director of Finance

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INTRODUCTORY SECTION

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Reserve, Louisiana

List of Principal Officials
June 30, 2008

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mr. Russell Jack	Member, District No. 1
Mr. Albert Burl, III	Member, District No. 2
Dr. Gerald J. Keller	President, District No. 3
Mr. Patrick H. Sanders	Vice President, District No. 4
Mr. James Madere	Member, District No. 5
Mr. Keith Jones	Member, District No. 6
Mr. Phillip Johnson	Member, District No. 7
Mr. Russ Wise	Member, District No. 8
Mr. Lowell Bacas	Member, District No. 9
Mr. Matthew J. Ory	Member, District No. 10
Mr. Clarence Triche	Member, District No. 11

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Courtney Millet	Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Wilbert Omond	Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Herbert Smith	Assistant Superintendent

OFFICIAL PREPARING REPORT

Mr. Felix K. Boughton	Executive Director of Finance
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St. John the Baptist Parish School Board

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Vice-President

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December 7, 2008

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St. John the Baptist Parish School Board
Reserve, Louisiana

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board (School Board), Reserve, Louisiana for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 is presented herewith. The report was prepared by the School Board's business office. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the presented data and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the management of the School Board. We believe the data, as presented, is accurate in all material respects; that it is presented in a manner designed to fairly set forth the financial position and results of operations of the School Board as measured by the financial activity of its various funds; and that all disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain the maximum understanding of the School Board's financial affairs have been included.

Reporting Standards

This report has been prepared following the guidelines recommended by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States of America and Canada and the Association of School Board Officials. A Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting is awarded by the Government Finance Officers Association to those governments whose financial reports are judged to conform substantially with high financial reporting standards. A Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting is awarded by the Association of School Board Officials International. Both of these evaluations include reporting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

The School Board is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformance with the provisions of the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations. Information related to this single audit, including the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, findings and recommendations, and independent auditor's reports on internal control and compliance, are included in a separately issued single audit report and is available upon request.

Report Organization

The comprehensive annual financial report is presented in three sections: introductory, financial, and statistical. Additionally, performance and statistical data are included as required by state law. The introductory section includes this letter of transmittal, an organizational chart and a list of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board's principal elected and appointed officials. The financial section includes the management's discussion and analysis (page 3), basic financial statements (beginning on page 14), major fund budgetary comparisons (page 55), non-major fund combining statements (page 60), as well as the independent auditor's report (page 1). The statements and schedules are particularly useful in assessing the financial position of the School Board. The statistical section, which is unaudited, includes selected financial and demographic information, generally presented on a multi-year basis.

Management's Discussion and Analysis

The Management's Discussion and Analysis on page 3 provides an overall review of the School Board's activities for the year ended June 30, 2008. Included in this analysis are discussions on budget variances and modifications and the financial condition of the School Board.

Reporting Entity

This report includes all funds and account groups of the School Board. The School Board is a legislative body authorized to govern the public education system of St. John the Baptist Parish, Louisiana. The School Board provides a full range of public education services appropriate to grade levels ranging from pre-kindergarten through grade 12. The School Board operates 12 schools within the parish with a total enrollment of 6,753 pupils for the year ended June 30, 2008. Projected enrollment for the upcoming year is expected to approximate 6,800 pupils. The School Board is authorized to establish public schools as it deems necessary, to provide adequate school facilities, to determine the number of teachers to be employed and to determine the local supplement to their salaries. Accordingly, since the School Board members are elected by the public and have decision-making authority, the power to influence operations and primary accountability for financial matters, the School Board is not included in any other governmental reporting entity. Based on that criteria the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board and all its individual schools constitute the School Board's reporting entity.

Services Provided

The St. John the Baptist Parish School Board is a legislative body authorized to govern the public education system of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, Louisiana. It is the responsibility of the School Board to make public education available to the residents of St. John the Baptist Parish by providing various services, including instruction, instructional materials, instructional facilities, administrative support, business services, system operations, plant maintenance and bus transportation.

Structure, Local Economic Condition and Outlook

The St. John the Baptist Parish School Board, established in 1876, is located in the southeastern part of Louisiana, which is a high industrial area for the state. The parish in which the School Board is located has a land area of 231 square miles and a population of 47,342. The School

Board is empowered to levy a property tax on both real and personal property located within its boundaries. The School Board also levies a sales and use tax on the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, and the consumption of tangible personal property and upon sales of some services within its boundaries.

The School Board has operated under the board form of government. Policymaking is vested in the School Board, which consists of eleven members elected within their respective districts for a four-year term. The School Board is responsible, among other things, for passing local ordinances, adopting the budget, appointing committees, adhering to the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education's requirements, and hiring the Superintendent and the School Board's attorney. The Superintendent is responsible for carrying out the policies and ordinances of the School Board, for overseeing the day to day operations of the School Board, for informing the School Board of changes in the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education requirements, and for making recommendations when these changes occur to ensure compliance.

The School Board finished 2008 with a fund balance in the General Fund of \$ 9,492,308, which reflects a \$ 485,083 decrease in the prior year's fund balance.

The Parish has a manufacturing and industrial base on which the unemployment rate is somewhat dependent. The major industries with operations within the Parish consist mainly of oil and chemical manufacturers. The Parish also has a steel manufacturing company. The Parish's unemployment rate is 4.1 %, which is slightly higher than the state's unadjusted rate of 4.8% as of January 2008.

Major Initiatives and Major Operational/Financial Concerns

For the Year: The School Board finished 2008 with a General Fund surplus of approximately 14.5% of the General Fund Budget. The Budgetary Comparison Schedule can be seen on page 56 of the CAFR. The surplus decreased slightly from 2007 and allows the School Board to continue to fund the various educational programs. As the financial position gets stronger, financial resources will be allocated to areas that have the most effect on student achievement.

The School Board has continued its parish-wide computer network called STEP (Schools Technology for Excellence Program). This program supplies all grade levels with computers. These computers allow all students to become computer literate while integrating technology into the curriculum.

The School Board operates a Redirection Center. The Redirection Center focuses on students with disciplinary problems. These students are removed from the regular school setting and placed at this center where they receive stricter discipline and individual counseling.

Because of the increased emphasis on early childhood development, the School Board operates an early childhood center. This center focuses on 4-year old students through kindergarten and concentrates on developing skills that will aid these students throughout their scholastic career.

The State of Louisiana requires all fourth and eighth grade students to pass a standard test (LEAP Test) before they are allowed to advance to the next grade. The School Board offers an after school assistance program during the year for students having problems with the skills necessary

to pass this test. In addition the School Board offers a mandatory Summer School Remediation Program for all students that do not pass this LEAP test. This summer program focuses strictly on teaching the skills necessary to pass the LEAP test. Students can re-take the LEAP test after completion of this summer program.

The School Board operates two magnet schools: The Garyville/Mt. Airy Magnet School and the John L. Ory Magnet School. The Garyville/Mt. Airy Magnet School specializes in the math and science areas and provides advanced curriculum in these areas. The John L. Ory Magnet School specializes in communication arts, with a curriculum rich in communication skills.

For the Future:

The administration has prepared a long term master plan for achievement. This strategic plan provides a guide to improve academic achievement and facilities throughout the district. This plan required voter approval for the funding. The voters passed this funding by a 2 to 1 approval rating. A new elementary school is being built relieve the overcrowding at current elementary schools. Several major renovations will be in progress over the next five years.

Marathon Oil Company, the Parish's largest taxpayer, is expanding its local refinery in St. John the Baptist Parish. The anticipated cost of this expansion is \$2.5 billion. This expansion will provide needed revenue to keep St. John the Baptist Parish competitive with surrounding parishes in Louisiana. A proposed completion for the expansion is set for mid 2009.

Major Concerns: One major financial concern is the increase in health insurance and retirement benefits. In past years, the School Board's benefits percentage was approximately 30% of payroll. Because of insurance and retirement increases this percentage is approaching 40%. To remain competitive with surrounding parishes these benefits are necessary expenditures.

Another financial concern is the effect GASB 45 will have on the Government-Wide Financial Statements. Effective with the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2006, the School Board prospectively implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions* (GASB 45). The School Board will begin the process of establishing a trust whose assets will be dedicated to providing post employment benefits to retired employees and their beneficiaries and which will be legally protected from creditors. It is the intent of the School Board, once the trust is established, to contribute its portion of post employment benefits to the trust on a monthly basis.

Long Term Financial Planning

In order to alleviate the overcrowding due to the growth in student population, in September 2006, the Board borrowed \$18,000,000 in revenue bonds. The proceeds from these bonds will be used to build a new elementary school and a new ninth grade wing at the largest High School. The Board received an AAA rating on these bonds from Standard and Poor's.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Internal Control

The management of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls designed to ensure that the assets of the School Board are protected from loss, theft or misuse and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Internal controls are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits likely to be derived; and (2) the valuation costs and benefits require estimates and judgments by management.

Single Audit

As a recipient of federal, state and local financial assistance, the School Board is also responsible for ensuring that adequate internal control is in place to ensure and document compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to these programs. The internal control structure is subject to periodic evaluation by management.

As part of the School Board's single audit, tests are made of the School Board's internal control and of its compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including those related to federal award programs. The results of the audit for the year ended June 30, 2008, disclosed no material internal control weaknesses or material violations of laws and regulations.

Budgetary Controls

In addition, the School Board maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget, and all subsequent amendments, approved by the School Board. Activities of the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds are included in the annual appropriated budget. Project-length budgets are prepared for the Capital Projects Funds. Budgetary control is maintained at the fund level. Variances with the budget at this level, as well as line item levels, are reported to the School Board's management monthly. The School Board also maintains an encumbrance accounting system for the General Fund as one technique of accomplishing budgetary control.

Debt Administration

The ratio of net bonded debt to assessed valuation and the amount of bonded debt per capita are useful indicators of the School Board's debt position. As of June 30, 2008, gross direct general obligation bonded debt was \$ 10,885,000, net bonded debt was \$ 5,117,542, .21% of the assessed value and \$ 108 per capita, a decrease from \$227 per capita in 2007.

The School Board's general obligation bonds and revenue bonds are rated by Moody's bond rating service and Standard and Poor's rating service. The latest rating given in September 2006 was an AAA.

Cash Management

The School Board currently invests its cash and investment funds of \$29,299,042 as of June 30, 2008 with either the local banks based on competitive bid or invests in governmental securities through a national investment firm. At June 30, 2008, the School Board had cash and cash equivalents invested through the Board's fiscal agents (local banks) of \$8,784,489 of which the carrying amount reflected in the financial statements is \$8,711,508. These funds are secured by federal deposit insurance and the pledge of bank-owned securities. The remainder of the School Board's funds are invested with the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP) and individual certificates of deposits. At June 30, 2008, the School Board had with LAMP an investment with LAMP in the amount of \$20,312,533, and a certificate of deposit of \$275,000. The investments are purchased and held by the investment firm in the name of the School Board. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, investments are recorded at fair value.

Risk Management

The St. John the Baptist Parish School Board manages its risk using excess insurance policies with various high deductibles and self-insured retention. For workers' compensation, the School Board's self-insured retention is \$ 300,000 per occurrence. This translates into the School Board being self-insured for the first \$ 300,000 on a worker's compensation claim with excess insurance paying amounts over this retention. For property and general/fleet liability, the School Board pays claims on the first \$25,000 of each occurrence with excess insurance being paid up to \$2,000,000. The claim liability at June 30, 2008 was approximately \$ 825,806.

Independent Audit

As required by Louisiana State Statute, the School Board has had an annual audit by independent certified public accountants, Rebowe & Company, CPAs and Consultants, APC. The independent auditor's report on the basic financial statements has an unqualified opinion. The audit meets the requirements of Louisiana State Law and the Single Audit Act of 1996 and related OMB Circular A-133. The independent auditor's report on the basic financial statements is included in the financial section of this report; the single audit reports are included in a separately issued document.

Awards

The Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) awarded a Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting to the St. John the Baptist School Board for its comprehensive annual financial report for the year ended June 30, 2007. This was the School Board's tenth year to receive this prestigious award for its report. The School Board also submitted its June 30, 2007 comprehensive annual financial report to the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) and was awarded the GFOA's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the eighth year.

In order to be awarded a Certificate of Excellence and Certificate of Achievement, the School Board published an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report satisfied both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

Both the Certificate of Excellence and Certificate of Achievement are valid for a period of one year only. We believe that our current comprehensive annual financial report continues to meet the Program requirements of both organizations and we are submitting it to the ASBO and GFOA to determine its eligibility for each of the certificates.

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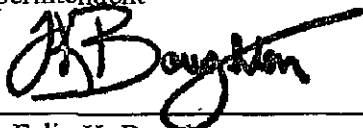
We believe that this report contains the necessary information and data, which will provide a better understanding of the operations of our school system. It is further hoped that this report has been designed in a manner to be used as an administrative tool and general source of information so as to enhance our accountability to the public.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to the accounting staff and other participating employees whose efforts contributed significantly in the timely preparation of this report.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Courtney Millet
Superintendent



Mr. Felix K. Boughton
Business Manager

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Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Presented to

St. John the Baptist Parish
School Board, Louisiana

For its Comprehensive Annual
Financial Report
for the Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2007

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Association of the United States and Canada to
government units and public employee retirement
systems whose comprehensive annual financial
reports (CAFRs) achieve the highest
standards in government accounting
and financial reporting.



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This Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting is presented to

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

For its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2007

Upon recommendation of the Association's Panel of Review which has judged that the Report substantially conforms to principles and standards of ASBO's Certificate of Excellence Program

Grove E. Brendel

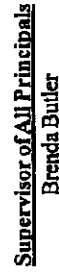
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Executive Director

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2007-2008 School Year



East St. John Elementary - Stacey Spies
East St. John High - Kathy McWaters
Fifth Ward Elementary - Courtney Millet
Garyville Magnet - Grace Cook
Lake Pontchartrain Elementary - Diane Brown
LaPlace Elementary - Precious Joseph
West St. John Elementary - Jessie Clement
West St. John High - Beverly Harris

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the
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Reserve, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the **St. John the Baptist Parish School Board** (the "School Board"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the School Board's basic financial statements, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the School Board's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the School Board as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 1, 2008 on our consideration of the School Board's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on

compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 13 and 56 through 58, respectively, are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School Board's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, and statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated, in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory and statistical section have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

Reboue & Company

December 1, 2008

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

PART I

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Management's Discussion and Analysis June 30, 2008

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board ("School Board") financial performance provides an overall review and an objective, easily readable analysis of the School Board's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008. The intent of the MD&A is to review the School Board's overall financial performance and to assist readers in assessing the financial position as a result of the year's operations. Therefore, readers should read the MD&A in conjunction with the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report's (CAFR) Letter of Transmittal (Page vi) of the Introductory Section in the School Board's Financial Statements, and the Notes to the Financial Statements.

The MD&A is an element of the Required Supplementary Information specified in the Governmental Accounting Standards Board's (GASB) Statement No. 34 - *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. Certain comparative information between the current year and the prior year is required to be presented in the Management's Discussion and Analysis to provide a more meaningful comparative analysis of the governmental data.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for the years ending June 30, 2008 and 2007 include the following:

Net assets amounted to \$27,006,129 and \$25,622,023 for the years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007, respectively. The net amounts were composed of the following elements:

	<u>Net Assets</u>	
	2008	2007
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 11,792,386	\$ (3,713,551)
Restricted for:		
Debt Service	6,210,643	4,255,059
Unrestricted	<u>9,003,100</u>	<u>25,080,515</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 27,006,129</u>	<u>\$ 25,622,023</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)

June 30, 2008

Net assets increased from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 by \$1,384,106. Although there are many factors that make up this increase, the largest factor is the increase in sales and property tax revenues. The net assets increased by \$3,517,575 in the previous fiscal year. This change was also primarily the result of an increase in sales tax collections.

The amount "Invested in capital assets, net of related debt", represents the School Board's net book value of its fixed assets net of the current balances of debt incurred to acquire the capital assets. It is the accumulation of years of investments in capital projects. The net assets restricted for debt service represents accumulation of excess revenues over bond payments and can only be used for the retirement of debt. Unrestricted net assets of \$9,003,100 represents years of excess revenues over expenditures. This balance can be used for any legal purpose and has not been dedicated for any purpose by the School Board.

As of June 30, 2008 and 2007, total assets amounted to \$73,656,017 and \$73,594,821, respectively, attributed to the following elements:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,711,508	\$ 14,156,241
Investments	20,587,534	27,154,888
Other receivables	6,344	21,717
Due from other governments	2,265,086	1,566,243
Inventory	80,556	105,919
Other assets	912,603	768,364
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	<u>41,092,386</u>	<u>29,821,449</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 73,656,017</u>	<u>\$ 73,594,821</u>

The School Board has maintained strong cash and investment positions. Throughout the year, funds are continually transferred between cash and investments to maximize investment earnings. Due from other governments represents federal and state grant monies due at year end. Capital assets represent the investment in capital projects over the history of the School Board.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Continued)
June 30, 2008

As of June 30, 2008 and 2007, total liabilities amounted to \$46,649,888 and \$47,972,798, respectively, due to the following items:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	\$ 9,068,526	\$ 8,074,178
Unearned revenue	37,907	15,213
Interest payable	341,438	388,310
Other liabilities	2,537,168	2,558,181
Non-current liabilities due within one year	5,330,000	4,735,000
Non-current liabilities due in more than one year	<u>29,334,849</u>	<u>32,201,916</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 46,649,888</u>	<u>\$ 47,972,798</u>

Accounts, salaries, and other payables represent normal year end payables and the accrued summer payroll. Non-current liabilities due within one year represent the current portion due of the bonded debt. Non-current liabilities due in more than one year represent the long term portion of bonded debt.

As of June 30, 2008 and 2007, total net assets amounted to \$27,006,129 and \$25,622,023 as follows:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 11,792,386	\$ (3,713,551)
Restricted for:		
Debt Service	6,210,643	4,255,059
Unrestricted	<u>9,003,100</u>	<u>25,080,515</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 27,006,129</u>	<u>\$ 25,622,023</u>

As of June 30, 2008 and 2007, total revenues amounted to \$83,317,182 and \$74,636,938, respectively, due to the following items:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
General Revenues:		
Minimum Foundation Program	\$ 34,260,849	\$ 31,524,117
Sales Taxes	23,712,346	19,276,086
Ad Valorem Taxes	11,641,750	10,339,956
All Other Sources	1,791,686	2,791,185
Program Revenues:		
Federal Grants	10,398,311	10,075,052
Other State and Local Grants	<u>1,512,240</u>	<u>630,542</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$ 83,317,182</u>	<u>\$ 74,636,938</u>

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The largest single revenue source continues to be the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) distribution from the State of Louisiana, amounting to \$34,260,849. This MFP formula establishes a standard of local support for each school system based on the state average local support relative to the school system's capacity to raise local funds.

Grant revenue increased by approximately \$1.2 million from the prior year. The School Lunch Program and Title I continue to be the largest federally funded programs with \$2,562,097 and \$2,987,135 in grant revenue, respectively.

As of June 30, 2008 and 2007, total expenses amounted to \$81,933,076 and \$71,119,363, respectively, due to the following items:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Instruction related expenses	\$ 49,853,709	\$ 41,758,972
Support services	30,734,013	27,905,657
Interest on debt	<u>1,345,354</u>	<u>1,454,734</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$ 81,933,076</u>	<u>\$ 71,119,363</u>

Expenditures have remained relatively constant with the exception of normal salary increases and the rise in health insurance costs. Health insurance continues to rise annually each year at rates significantly higher than inflation.

See Table I on the following page for a detail of the changes in net assets for the years ended June 30, 2008 and 2007.

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Table I
Changes in Net Assets
Governmental Activities

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 219,037	\$ 234,516
Operating grants and contributions	11,691,514	10,471,078
General Revenues:		
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	5,797,650	5,150,894
Property taxes, levied for debt service	5,844,100	5,189,062
Sales and use taxes, levied for general purposes	19,726,076	15,924,712
Sales and use taxes, levied for public improvement	3,986,270	3,351,374
State revenue sharing	221,547	195,904
Minimum Foundation Program	34,260,849	31,524,117
Other	873,949	1,512,017
Interest and investment earnings	696,190	1,083,264
Total revenues	<u>83,317,182</u>	<u>74,636,938</u>
Expenses:		
General government		
Instruction:		
Regular programs	30,613,428	24,845,861
Special programs	15,883,587	14,226,140
Vocational programs	207,560	194,051
All other programs	3,149,134	2,492,920
Support services:		
Student services	3,442,823	3,054,163
Instructional staff support	1,514,019	1,111,398
General administration	3,412,840	3,344,080
School administration	4,358,661	3,825,921
Business services	591,841	553,857
Plant services	8,618,574	8,124,718
Student transportation services	4,097,585	3,339,890
Central services	1,290,086	1,258,247
Food services	3,407,584	3,293,383
Interest on long-term debt	<u>1,345,354</u>	<u>1,454,734</u>
Total expenses	<u>81,933,076</u>	<u>71,119,363</u>
Increase in net assets	1,384,106	3,517,575
Net assets - Beginning	<u>25,622,023</u>	<u>22,104,448</u>
Net assets - Ending	<u>\$ 27,006,129</u>	<u>\$ 25,622,023</u>

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USING THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (CAFR)

The School Board's CAFR consists of a series of financial statements and the associated notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the operations of the School Board as a financial whole, i.e., an entire operating entity, its funds, and its fiduciary responsibilities. The "Basic Financial Statements" Section, consisting of the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (pages 14-15) provide highly consolidated financial information, and render a government-wide perspective of the School Board's financial condition. The Fund Financial Statements (pages 16 through 22) provide the next level of detail and look at the School Board's most significant funds and a total of all other nonmajor funds.

Reporting the School Board as a Whole

Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities present an aggregate view of the School Board's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. These statements seek to answer the question, "How did the School Board do financially during the 2007-2008 fiscal year?" These statements include *all assets and liabilities* using the *accrual basis* of accounting used by most private-sector enterprises. The *accrual basis* takes into account all of the Board's current year revenues and expenses regardless of when paid or received.

These two statements report the School Board's net assets and changes in those assets. By showing the change in net assets for the year, the reader may ascertain whether the School Board's financial condition has improved or deteriorated. The causes of the change may be the result of many factors, both financial and non-financial in nature. Non-financial factors which may have an impact on the School Board's financial condition include the School Board's property and sales tax base, student enrollment, facility conditions, required educational programs for which little or no funding is provided, or other external factors.

Reporting the School Board's Most Significant Funds

Fund Financial Statements

The analysis of the School Board's major funds begins on page 16. Fund Financial Statements provide more in-depth reporting of the School Board's financial position and the results of operations. Fund basis financial information is presented in the "Fund Financial Statements" Section. The School Board uses many funds to account for the numerous funding sources provided annually. However, the Fund Financial Statements look at the School Board's most significant funds with all non-major funds presented in total in one column. These statements report governmental activities on a more current

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basis rather than a long-term basis, indicating sources and uses of funding and resources available for spending in future periods.

Fund Financial Statements provide more in-depth data on the School Board's most significant funds, such as its General Fund. This fund is considered a "major fund" under criteria established by GASB Statement No. 34. The School Lunch/Breakfast, Capital Projects II Fund, and Sinking Fund are major funds, because of the School Board's focus on their operations.

Governmental Funds - Most of the School Board's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows in and out of those funds, the balances that are left at year-end and the amount available for spending in future periods.

These funds are reported using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash.

The relationship between governmental activities reported in the Basic Financial Statements and the governmental funds reported in the Fund Financial Statements are reconciled in the financial statements.

Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets - This statement presents financial information relative to assets held by the School Board on behalf of students and others in a position of trust.

Governmental Activities

As reported in the Statement of Activities on page 15, the cost of the School Board's governmental activities for the year ended June 30, 2008 was \$81,933,076. The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges and grants offsetting some of those services. Grants and contributions of \$11,691,514 subsidized certain programs, and charges for services for school lunches was the only contributor of charges for services totaling \$219,037. The remaining amount was financed by the taxpayers in the parish through ad valorem and sales and use taxes totaling \$35,354,096 and \$221,547 in State Revenue Sharing. The Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) from the State of Louisiana funded \$34,260,849 and other general revenues contributed the remainder. In Table II, which follows, the cost of the School Board's largest categories of expenses are presented as well as each program's net cost (total cost less revenues generated by the activities). This "net cost" presentation allows the Parish taxpayers to determine the remaining cost of the various categories, and also allows them the opportunity to assess the cost of each function in comparison to the benefits they believe are provided by the function. The net cost also reflects the amount needed to finance these functions from general sources such as taxes and MFP.

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Table II
Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities

	<u>Total Cost of Services</u>	<u>Net Cost of Services</u>
Governmental activities:		
Instruction:		
Regular programs	\$ 30,613,428	\$(30,456,388)
Special programs	15,883,587	(10,740,307)
Vocational programs	207,560	(129,776)
All other programs	3,149,134	238,814
Support services:		
Student services	3,442,823	(3,442,823)
Instructional staff support	1,514,019	(1,514,019)
General administration	3,312,840	(3,268,188)
School administration	4,358,661	(4,358,661)
Business services	591,841	(591,841)
Plant services	8,618,574	(8,597,798)
Student transportation services	4,097,585	(3,899,648)
Central services	1,290,086	(1,290,086)
Food services	3,407,584	(626,450)
Interest on long-term debt	<u>1,345,354</u>	<u>(1,345,354)</u>
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 81,933,076</u>	<u>\$(70,022,525)</u>

The School Board's Funds

The School Board uses funds to control and permit measurement in the short term of the revenues and expenditures of a particular activity or purpose (e.g., dedicated taxes and grant programs). The Fund Financial Statements allow the School Board to demonstrate its stewardship over and accountability for resources provided by taxpayers and other entities. These statements also allow the reader to obtain more insight into the financial management of the School Board and assess further the School Board's overall financial stability.

As the School Board completed the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, its combined fund balance was \$20,629,547 as compared to a combined fund balance of \$32,822,687 as of June 30, 2007. The majority of this decrease is reflected in the Capital Projects II Fund decrease in fund balance of \$13,628,993. This decrease is attributable to the authorization of an \$18,000,000 sales tax bond in prior year.

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General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The School Board's budget is prepared according to Louisiana law. During the course of the year, the School Board revises its budget to take into consideration significant changes in revenues or expenditures. Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1311 requires a budget amendment if either expected revenues are less or anticipated expenditures are in excess of budgetary goals by five percent (5%) or more. The original budget for the School Board was adopted on June 15, 2007 and the final revised budget was adopted on June 15, 2008.

A schedule showing the School Board's original and final budget compared with actual operating results is provided in this CAFR beginning on page 56. Revenues are forecast conservatively and expenditures are budgeted in anticipation of all possible costs and projects. The General Fund's actual revenues were less than projected revenues by \$395,614. However, total expenditures were less than projected by \$2,501,455. The undesignated fund balance of \$9,492,308 in the General Fund is better than anticipated (by approximately \$2,600,000), which represented approximately 14.5% of the budget.

A comparison of actual results as of June 30, 2008 and the original budget for the General Fund are as follows:

Table III
Original Budget Comparison
June 30, 2008

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Total Revenues	\$59,465,133	\$ 65,573,649	\$ 6,108,516
Total Expenditures	(63,432,591)	(68,074,373)	(4,641,782)
Other Financing Sources	<u>1,121,910</u>	<u>2,015,641</u>	<u>893,731</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ (2,845,548)</u>	<u>\$ (485,083)</u>	<u>\$ 2,360,465</u>

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Significant variations between the original budget and the final amended budget are as follows:

Table VI
Original and Final Amended Budget Comparison
June 30, 2008

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Amended Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Total Revenues	\$59,465,133	\$65,969,263	\$ 6,504,130
Total Expenditures	(63,432,591)	(70,575,828)	(7,143,237)
Other Financing Sources	<u>1,121,910</u>	<u>1,554,300</u>	<u>432,390</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ (2,845,548)</u>	<u>\$ (3,052,265)</u>	<u>\$ (206,717)</u>

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2008, the School Board has approximately \$41 million invested in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, furniture, vehicles, computers, and other equipment. This amount is net of accumulated depreciation to date. Table V below shows the net book value of capital assets at the end of 2008.

Table V
Capital Assets

	<u>June 30, 2008</u>	<u>June 30, 2007</u>
Land	\$ 3,303,954	\$ 3,303,954
Buildings	28,371,280	25,215,533
Furniture and Equipment	1,263,489	754,930
Construction in Progress	<u>8,153,663</u>	<u>547,032</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 41,092,386</u>	<u>\$ 29,821,449</u>

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During the current year, additions of \$18,778,921 of fixed assets were capitalized while disposals of \$5,353,702 were deleted. Depreciation for the year ended June 30, 2008 was \$1,979,792 for buildings and improvements and \$392,653 for furniture and equipment. More detailed information on capital assets is included in Note 6 on page 39 of the basic financial statements.

At June 30, 2008, the School Board had outstanding indebtedness of \$29,300,000. In accordance with LSA-R.S.39:562 (L), the School Board is legally restricted from incurring long-term bonded debt in excess of 35 percent of the assessed value of the taxable property (including homestead exempt and nonexempt property) within the parish. At June 30, 2008, the statutory limit was \$124,564,406. Other long-term obligations consisting of accrued sick leave and annual leave totaled \$2,433,024 at June 30, 2008. More detailed information on long term obligations and debt is included in Note 9 on page 41 of the basic financial statements.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET

The financial well being of the School Board is tied in large measure to the state funding formula and the tax base. Following several years of declining sales tax collections, the retail sales and industrial activity has shown growth in the past two years. This growth is expected to continue and would help strengthen the Board's financial position.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In the aftermath of Hurricane Gustav, a \$750 one-time salary adjustment was paid to all employees on September 18, 2008 from excess sales taxes. The payment was made to assist St. John School Board employees in their individual recovery efforts.

On November 4, 2008, the voters of St. John the Baptist Parish voted to authorize the School Board to levy a ten (10) year, eight (8) mills property tax for providing additional support to public elementary and secondary schools in the District. The tax dedicates one mill to pay the District's unfunded obligations for health benefits for retired employees and to establish a trust fund for said purpose to the extent permitted by law. Four (4) mills will be dedicated to paying salaries and benefits of teachers and other employees and the remaining three (3) mills will be dedicated to implementing a written plan for academic school improvements. The property tax will be collected for a period of 10 years beginning in 2009 and ending with the year 2018. The additional property tax is anticipated to generate approximately \$2,340,000 annually.

On November 4, 2008, the voters of St. John the Baptist Parish authorized the School District to issue 20 year General Obligation Bonds not exceeding \$46 million with an interest rate not to exceed 7% per annum. The proceeds of the bonds will be used for the purpose of acquiring and improving land for building sites and playgrounds within the District.

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CONTACTING THE SCHOOL BOARD'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

While this CAFR is designed to provide full and complete disclosure of the financial condition and operations of the School Board, citizens groups, taxpayers, parents, students, other parish officials, investors or creditors may need further details. To obtain such details, please contact St. John the Baptist Parish School Board, Post Office Box AL, Reserve, LA 70068, or call (985) 536-1106 during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Central Standard Time, or e-mail at Fboughton@stjohn.k12.la.us.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
June 30, 2008

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,711,508
Investments	20,587,534
Due from other governments	2,265,086
Other receivables	6,344
Inventory	80,556
Other assets	912,603
Land	3,303,954
Buildings, improvements, furniture and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)	<u>37,788,432</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>73,656,017</u></u>
 LIABILITIES	
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	9,068,526
Unearned revenue	37,907
Interest payable	341,438
Other liabilities	2,537,168
Non-current liabilities:	
Due within one year	5,330,000
Due in more than one year	<u>29,334,849</u>
 Total Liabilities	<u><u>46,649,888</u></u>
 NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	11,792,386
Restricted for:	
Debt service	6,210,643
Unrestricted	<u>9,003,100</u>
 TOTAL NET ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 27,006,129</u></u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense)
		Charges for	Operating	Revenue And
	Expenses	Services	Grants and	Changes In Net
			Contributions	Assets
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS				
Governmental activities:				
Instruction:				
Regular programs	\$ 30,613,428	\$ -	\$ 157,040	\$ (30,456,388)
Special programs	15,883,587	-	5,143,280	(10,740,307)
Vocational programs	207,560	-	77,784	(129,776)
All other programs	3,149,134	-	3,387,948	238,814
Support services:				
Student services	3,442,823	-	-	(3,442,823)
Instructional staff support	1,514,019	-	-	(1,514,019)
General administration	3,412,840	-	144,652	(3,268,188)
School administration	4,358,661	-	-	(4,358,661)
Business services	591,841	-	-	(591,841)
Plant services	8,618,574	-	20,776	(8,597,798)
Student transportation services	4,097,585	-	197,937	(3,899,648)
Central services	1,290,086	-	-	(1,290,086)
Food services	3,407,584	219,037	2,562,097	(626,450)
Interest on long-term debt	1,345,354	-	-	(1,345,354)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 81,933,076	\$ 219,037	\$ 11,691,514	(70,022,525)
General Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Property taxes, levied for general purposes				5,797,650
Property taxes, levied for debt service				5,844,100
Sales and use taxes, levied for general purposes				19,726,076
Sales and use taxes, levied for public improvement				3,986,270
State revenue sharing, general purpose				221,547
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific purposes:				
Minimum Foundation Program				34,260,849
Other				873,949
Interest and investment earnings				696,190
Total general revenues				71,406,631
Change in net assets				1,384,106
Net assets - beginning				25,622,023
Net assets - ending				\$ 27,006,129

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	General Fund	School Lunch/ Breakfast Fund
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,507,788	\$ 515,037
Investments	8,809,159	-
Due from other governments	1,544,368	-
Other receivables	1,266	-
Other assets	622,120	-
Interfund receivables	3,374,206	-
Inventory	-	80,556
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 18,858,907	\$ 595,593
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Liabilities:		
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	\$ 6,910,617	\$ 167,379
Interfund payables	-	298,927
Deferred revenues	-	37,907
Other liabilities	2,455,982	81,186
Total Liabilities	9,366,599	585,399
Fund balances:		
Reserved for:		
Encumbrances	118,280	-
Debt service	-	-
Inventory	-	80,556
Unreserved, Designated for:		
Capital projects	-	-
Unreserved, Undesignated, Reported In:		
General Fund	9,374,028	-
Special Revenue Funds	-	(70,362)
Total Fund Balances	9,492,308	10,194
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 18,858,907	\$ 595,593

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Capital Projects II Fund	Sinking III Fund	Other Governmental Funds	TOTAL
\$ 1,845,277	\$ 722,191	\$ 1,121,215	\$ 8,711,508
6,738,185	5,040,190	-	20,587,534
-	5,078	720,718	2,270,164
-	-	-	1,266
-	-	-	622,120
-	-	-	3,374,206
-	-	-	80,556
<u>\$ 8,583,462</u>	<u>\$ 5,767,459</u>	<u>\$ 1,841,933</u>	<u>\$ 35,647,354</u>
\$ 1,668,776	\$ -	\$ 321,754	\$ 9,068,526
2,015,641	-	1,059,638	3,374,206
-	-	-	37,907
-	-	-	2,537,168
<u>3,684,417</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,381,392</u>	<u>15,017,807</u>
-	-	-	118,280
-	5,767,459	443,184	6,210,643
-	-	-	80,556
4,899,045	-	17,357	4,916,402
-	-	-	9,374,028
-	-	-	(70,362)
<u>4,899,045</u>	<u>5,767,459</u>	<u>460,541</u>	<u>20,629,547</u>
<u>\$ 8,583,462</u>	<u>\$ 5,767,459</u>	<u>\$ 1,841,933</u>	<u>\$ 35,647,354</u>

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

Total Fund Balances at June 30, 2008 - Governmental Funds		\$	20,629,547
Cost of capital assets at June 30, 2008	\$	83,291,280	
Less - accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2008:			
Buildings		(37,967,614)	
Movable property		<u>(4,231,280)</u>	41,092,386
Other deferred assets expended in the fund financials			290,483
Elimination of interfund assets and liabilities:			
Due from other funds		(3,374,206)	
Due to other funds		<u>3,374,206</u>	-
Long-term liabilities at June 30, 2008:			
Compensated absences		(2,433,024)	
Bonds payable		(29,300,000)	
Net OPEB obligation		(2,931,825)	
Accrued interest payable		<u>(341,438)</u>	<u>(35,006,287)</u>
Net Assets at June 30, 2008		\$	<u>27,006,129</u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	General Fund	School Lunch/ Breakfast Fund	Capital Projects II Fund
REVENUES			
Local sources:			
Taxes:			
Ad valorem	\$ 5,797,650	\$ -	\$ -
Sales and use	19,726,076	-	3,986,270
Interest earnings	480,661	9,608	48,375
Charges for services	-	219,037	-
Other	416,648	-	-
Total Local Sources	<u>26,421,035</u>	<u>228,645</u>	<u>4,034,645</u>
State sources:			
Minimum Foundation Program	33,820,849	440,000	-
Other	1,972,051	-	-
Total State Sources	<u>35,792,900</u>	<u>440,000</u>	<u>-</u>
Federal sources	<u>3,359,714</u>	<u>2,562,097</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>65,573,649</u>	<u>3,230,742</u>	<u>4,034,645</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Instruction:			
Regular programs	29,096,312	-	-
Special programs	12,388,573	-	-
Vocational programs	198,191	-	-
All other programs	3,006,977	-	-
Support services:			
Student services	3,287,409	-	-
Instructional staff support	1,445,674	-	-
General administration	1,704,325	-	-
School administration	4,161,904	-	-
Business services	565,124	-	-
Plant services	6,560,137	-	-
Student transportation services	3,912,613	-	-
Central services	1,231,849	-	-
School food services	-	3,253,759	-
Other expenditures	-	-	13,548,507

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<u>Sinking III Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ 5,844,100	\$ -	\$ 11,641,750
-	-	23,712,346
153,225	4,320	696,189
-	-	219,037
-	-	416,648
<u>5,997,325</u>	<u>4,320</u>	<u>36,685,970</u>
-	-	34,260,849
-	-	1,972,051
-	-	<u>36,232,900</u>
-	4,476,500	10,398,311
<u>5,997,325</u>	<u>4,480,820</u>	<u>83,317,181</u>
-	-	29,096,312
-	2,778,003	15,166,576
-	-	198,191
-	-	3,006,977
-	-	3,287,409
-	-	1,445,674
-	1,566,968	3,271,293
-	-	4,161,904
-	-	565,124
-	-	6,560,137
-	-	3,912,613
-	-	1,231,849
-	-	3,253,759
3,272	-	13,551,779

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES (CONTINUED)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	General Fund	School Lunch/ Breakfast Fund	Capital Projects II Fund
Capital outlay	\$ 158,296	\$ -	\$ 883,788
Debt service:			
Principal retirement	350,000	-	-
Interest and bank charges	6,989	-	-
Total expenditures	<u>68,074,373</u>	<u>3,253,759</u>	<u>14,432,295</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(2,500,724)</u>	<u>(23,017)</u>	<u>(10,397,650)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):			
Transfers in	2,015,641	-	-
Transfers out	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,231,343)</u>
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>2,015,641</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,231,343)</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	(485,083)	(23,017)	(13,628,993)
FUND BALANCES beginning	<u>9,977,391</u>	<u>33,211</u>	<u>18,528,038</u>
FUND BALANCES ending	<u>\$ 9,492,308</u>	<u>\$ 10,194</u>	<u>\$ 4,899,045</u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

<u>Sinking III Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$ -	\$ 144,044	\$ 1,186,128
3,500,000	385,000	4,235,000
541,905	830,702	1,379,596
<u>4,045,177</u>	<u>5,704,717</u>	<u>95,510,321</u>
<u>1,952,148</u>	<u>(1,223,897)</u>	<u>(12,193,140)</u>
-	1,215,702	3,231,343
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(3,231,343)</u>
<u>-</u>	<u>1,215,702</u>	<u>-</u>
1,952,148	(8,195)	(12,193,140)
<u>3,815,311</u>	<u>468,736</u>	<u>32,822,687</u>
<u>\$ 5,767,459</u>	<u>\$ 460,541</u>	<u>\$ 20,629,547</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES
IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds \$ (12,193,140)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities
are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However,
in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over
their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.

Depreciation expense	\$ (2,372,445)	
Capital outlay	<u>13,643,382</u>	11,270,937

Repayment of bond principal, including advanced refunding bonds and capital leases is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Assets.	4,235,000
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Proceeds from the issuance of long-term debt in governmental funds are recorded as revenue. However, the proceeds are not recorded in the Statement of Activities but rather are recorded as a liability on the Statement of Net Assets. Also, governmental funds report the effect of issuance costs whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the Statement of Activities. This amount is the net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt and related items.	(12,630)
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Annual required contributions to the Post-Employment Benefit Plan is recorded as an expense in the government-wide statements while only contributions made or premiums paid are recorded as expenditures in the fund financial statements.	(1,821,367)
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Interest on long-term debt in the Statement of Activities differs from the amount
reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an
expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current
financial resources. In the Statement of Activities, however, interest expense
is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.

Current year	(341,438)	
Prior year	388,310	

Net increase in compensated absences	<u>(141,566)</u>
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Change in net assets of governmental activities	<u><u>\$ 1,384,106</u></u>
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The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	<u>AGENCY FUNDS</u>
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 845,179
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 845,179</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 519,690
Due to Sheriff	2,123
Due to St. John the Baptist Parish Council	19,103
Amounts held for school activities	<u>304,263</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 845,179</u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

The St. John the Baptist Parish School Board (the "School Board") was created by Louisiana Revised Statute (LSA-R.S.) 17:51 to provide public education for the children within St. John the Baptist Parish. The School Board is authorized by LSA-R.S. 17:81 to establish policies and regulations for its own government consistent with the laws of the State of Louisiana and the regulations of the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. The School Board is comprised of eleven members who are elected from eleven districts for concurrent terms of four years.

The School Board operates 12 schools within the parish with a total enrollment of 6,753 pupils for the year ended June 30, 2008. In conjunction with the regular educational programs, some of these schools offer special education and/or adult education programs. In addition, the School Board provides transportation and school food services for the students.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements of the School Board have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

The financial report has been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*.

a. Reporting Entity

The School Board is considered a primary government, since it is a special purpose government that has a separately elected governing body, is legally separate, and is fiscally independent of other state or local governments. Fiscally independent means that the School Board may, without the approval or consent of another governmental entity, determine or modify its own budget, levy its own taxes or set rates or charges, and issue bonded debt. The School Board also has no component units, defined as other legally separate organizations for which the elected school board members are financially accountable. There are no other primary governments with which the School Board has a significant relationship.

b. Funds

The School Board uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions related to certain School Board functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Funds of the School Board are classified into two categories: governmental and fiduciary, as follows:

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds account for all or most of the School Board's general activities. These funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between a governmental fund's assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. In general, fund balance represents the accumulated expendable resources which may be used to finance future period programs or operations of the School Board. The following are the School Board's primary governmental funds:

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the School Board. The General Fund receives most of the resources derived by the School Board from local sources (principally ad valorem and sales taxes) and state sources (principally the Minimum Foundation Program). General Fund expenditures represent the cost of general school system operations and individual functional categories of instructional and support services. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred in accordance with state and federal laws and according to School Board policy.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. Of the special revenue funds, the School Lunch/Breakfast Fund is considered a major fund.

School Lunch/Breakfast Fund

The School Lunch/Breakfast Fund accounts for the operation of the school food service programs in the parish school system during the regular school term. The basic goals of the school food service programs are to serve nutritionally adequate, attractive, and moderately-priced meals, to help children grow socially, and to provide learning experiences that will improve children's food habits with the ultimate goal of physically-fit adults.

Capital Projects Funds - Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities and for the major repairs thereto. Separate capital project funds are maintained to account for the proceeds of major general obligation bonds and other financing proceeds. Of the Capital Projects Funds, Capital Projects II Fund is considered a major fund.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Capital Projects II Fund

This fund is used to account for the proceeds and use of a one-third of the one percent sales and use tax dedicated to capital acquisition and improvements. It also accounts for the proceeds and use of a sales tax revenue bond dedicated for the purpose of making capital improvements to the School Board.

Debt Service Fund - The Debt Service Funds, established to meet requirements of bond ordinances, are used to account for the accumulation of resources for the payment of general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs. Of the Debt Service Funds, the Sinking III Fund is considered a major fund.

Fiduciary Fund Type

The Fiduciary Fund is used to account for assets held by the School Board in a trustee or agency capacity. The School Board maintains two fiduciary fund type agency funds; the School Activity Agency Fund and the Sales Tax Fund, both of which account for assets held by the Board in custodial capacity. An agency fund is custodial in nature and does not present results of operations or have a measurement focus. Agency funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting.

Sales Tax Fund

The Sales Tax Fund accounts for the collection and distribution of St. John the Baptist Parish's four and three-quarters percent sales and use tax. Two and one-quarter percent is dedicated to the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board and two and one-quarter percent is dedicated to the St. John the Baptist Parish Council and one-quarter percent is dedicated to the St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff's Department.

School Activity Fund

The activities of the various individual school accounts are accounted for in the School Activity Fund. While the fund is under the supervision of the School Board, these monies belong to the individual schools or their student bodies and are not available for use by the School Board.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

c. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the School Board, except for the Fiduciary fund. Fiduciary funds are reported only in the Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets at the fund financial statement level.

The GWFS were prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*. Revenues from nonexchange transactions include sales taxes, ad valorem taxes and grants from federal, state and local sources. The accounting policies for revenue recognition pertaining to these nonexchange transactions are described in the remainder of this footnote.

Program Revenues

Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities derive directly from parties outside the School Board's taxpayers or citizenry, as a whole; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the School Board's general revenues.

Internal Activities

All internal activities and interfund transactions, except interfund services provided and used, are eliminated in the Government-Wide Financial Statements.

Allocation of Indirect Expenses

The School Board reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses of other functions are not allocated to those functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense, which can be specifically identified by function, is included in the direct expenses of each function. Depreciation on buildings is assigned to the "general administration" function due to the fact that school buildings serve multiple purposes. Interest on general long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately in the Statement of Activities.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

Governmental funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

Fund financial statements report detailed information about the School Board. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column.

Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The School Board considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred. Costs of accumulated unpaid vacation, sick leave and other employee benefit amounts are recognized as expenditures when the benefit earned by the employee has matured, and general long-term obligations principal and interest payments are recognized only when due. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

Revenues

Federal and state entitlements (which include state equalization and state revenue sharing) are recorded as unrestricted grants-in-aid when available and measurable. Expenditure-driven federal and state grants are recorded as restricted grants-in-aid when the reimbursable expenditures have been incurred.

Ad valorem taxes are recorded in the year the taxes are due and payable. Ad valorem taxes are assessed on a calendar year basis, based on the assessed value on January 1, become due on November 15 of each year, and become delinquent on December 31. An enforceable lien attaches to the property as of January 1. The taxes to be levied were approved by the School Board. However, before the taxes can be collected, the tax rolls are submitted to the State

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Tax Commission for approval. The taxes are generally collected in November, December, January, and February of the fiscal year. Property tax revenues are accrued at fiscal year end to the extent that they have been collected and are unremitted by the St. John the Baptist Parish Tax Collector's Office. Such amounts are measurable and available to finance current operations.

Sales taxes, tuition, rent, and miscellaneous other revenues (except investment earnings) are recorded as revenues when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Investment earnings are recorded as earned since they are measurable and available.

Expenditures

Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for the following: (1) costs of accumulated unpaid vacation, sick leave and other employee benefit amounts are reported in the period due and payable rather than the period earned by employees; (2) general long-term obligations principal and interest payments are recognized when due. Commitments under construction contracts are recognized as expenditures when earned by the contractor. Compensated absences are recognized as expenditures when leave is actually taken or when employees (or heirs) are paid for accrued leave upon retirement or death, while the cost of earned leave privileges not requiring current resources is recorded as a long-term liability in the GWFS.

Other Financial Sources (Uses)

Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid (or any other types, such as capital lease transactions, sale of fixed assets, debt extinguishments, or long-term debt proceeds) are accounted for as other financing sources (uses). These other financing sources (uses) are recognized at the time the underlying events occur.

d. Budgetary Data

The General Fund and the Special Revenue Funds are the only fund types with legally required annual budgets. Budgets are prepared on a modified accrual basis, consistent with the basis of accounting for comparability of budgeted and actual revenues and expenditures. Formal budget accounts are integrated into the accounting system during the year as a management control device, excluding the recording of encumbrances. Budgetary data for the Capital Projects Funds have not been presented in the accompanying financial statements as such funds are budgeted over the life of the respective project and not on an annual basis. The Debt Service Fund complies with bond covenant provisions and is, therefore, not budgeted.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Prior to September 15th of each year, the Superintendent submits to the School Board a proposed annual appropriated budget for the General Fund for the fiscal year commencing the prior July 1st. The operating budgets include proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. Public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments. Prior to September 15th, the General Fund budget is legally enacted through adoption by the School Board.

Special Revenue Funds' budgets that are not grant-oriented have annual appropriated budgets adopted prior to September 15th by the School Board. Grant funds are included in Special Revenue Funds and their budgets are adopted at the time the grant applications are approved by the grantor. Unencumbered appropriations of grant-oriented Special Revenue Funds are reappropriated at the beginning of the following fiscal year. Unencumbered appropriations of certain nongrant-oriented Special Revenue Funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year and are included in the next year's budget with funds appropriated in that year to finance them.

The Superintendent and/or the Business Manager are authorized to transfer amounts between line items within any fund. When actual total revenues within the General Fund or Special Revenue Fund fail to meet budgeted total revenues by five percent or more and/or actual total expenditures within the General Fund or a Special Revenue Fund fails to meet budgeted total expenditures by five percent or more, a budget amendment to reflect such change is adopted by the School Board in an open meeting. The Budgetary Comparison Schedules (see pages 55 to 59) and the Schedules of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance -- Final Budget and Actual (see pages 65 to 66) include the effect of such budget amendments, none of a significant nature.

e. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits, and money market accounts with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Cash equivalents include time deposits.

Louisiana Revised Statutes, at LSA-R.S. 33:2955, authorize the School Board to invest in (1) direct obligations of the United States treasury, the principal and interest of which are fully guaranteed by the federal government; (2) bonds, debentures, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness issued or guaranteed by federal agencies or U.S. Government instrumentalities; (3) direct security repurchase agreements of any federal book-entry-only securities; (4) time certificates of deposit of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana and national banks having their principal offices in the State of Louisiana; savings accounts or shares of savings and loan associations in mutual or trust fund institutions which are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933 and the Investment Act of 1940, and which have underlying investments consisting solely of and limited to securities of the U.S.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Government or its agencies; or (6) guaranteed investment contracts issued by a bank, financial institution, insurance company, or other entity having one of the two highest short-term rating categories of either Standard & Poor's Corporation or Moody's Investors Service, provided that no such investment may be made except in connection with a financing program approved by the State Bond Commission.

In addition, local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc. (LAMP), a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana.

These investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is based on quoted market prices. If quoted prices are not available, fair value is estimated based on similar securities.

f. Intergovernmental Receivables

Intergovernmental receivables consist of receivables for reimbursement of expenditures under various state and federal programs and grants. All amounts are expected to be collected within the next twelve months.

g. Interfund Transactions

During the normal course of operations, numerous transactions occur between funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables, as well as short-term interfund loans, are classified as interfund receivable or interfund payable on the balance sheet.

h. Inventories

All purchased inventories are valued at cost (first-in, first-out); commodities are assigned values based on information provided by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Inventories in the School Lunch/Breakfast Special Revenue Fund consisted of food and supplies. The commodities are recorded in revenues and expenditures when consumed. The commodities remaining in inventory at the end of the fiscal year are recorded as deferred revenue.

i. Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were used.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

j. Capital Assets

Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The School Board maintains a threshold level of \$10,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

Capital assets are recorded in the GWFS, but are not reported in the FFS. Since surplus assets are sold for an immaterial amount when declared as no longer needed for public school purposes by the School Board, no salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives</u>
Buildings and Improvements	15-30 years
Furniture and Equipment	5-10 years

k. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the GWFS. In general, payables and accrued liabilities that will be paid from governmental funds are reported on the governmental fund financial statements regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. However, claims and judgments, the non-current portion of capital leases, compensated absences, contractually required pension contributions and special termination benefits that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the FFS only to the extent that they will be paid with current, expendable, available financial resources. In general, payments made within sixty days after year end are considered to have been made with current available financial resources. Bonds and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the FFS. Other long-term liabilities such as compensated absences have typically been paid by the General Fund.

l. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenues arise when resources are received by the School Board before it has a legal claim to them or when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when the School Board has legal claim to the resources,

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

the liability for deferred revenue is removed from the combined balance sheet and the revenue is recognized.

m. Compensated Absences

All 12-month employees earn from 10 to 20 days of vacation leave each year, depending on their length of service with the School Board. Employees may carry over up to 10 unused vacation days from one fiscal year to the next. An employee can only accumulate 25 vacation days. Upon severance of employment these 25 days will be paid to the employee as severance pay.

Teachers and other 9-month employees earn 10 days of sick leave each year. All 12-month employees earn from 10 to 18 days sick leave each year, depending on their length of service with the School Board. Sick leave can be accumulated without limitation. Upon retirement, unused sick leave up to 25 days is paid to employees (or their heirs) at the employee's current rate of pay. Under the Louisiana Teachers' Retirement System, the total unused accumulated sick leave, including the 25 days paid, is used in the retirement benefit computation as earned service for leave earned prior to July 1, 1988. Under the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, all unpaid sick leave excluding the 25 days paid, is used in the retirement benefit computation as earned service.

Sabbatical leave may be granted for medical leave and for professional and cultural improvement. An employee with a teacher's certificate is entitled, subject to approval by the School Board, to one semester of sabbatical leave after six semesters of continuous service or two semesters of sabbatical leave after twelve or more semesters of continuous service. Sabbatical leave benefits are recorded as expenditures in the period paid.

Compensated absences are recognized as expenditures in the FFS in the year claimed. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

The total liability is reported on the GWFS.

n. Pension Plans

The School Board participates in two pension plans administered by other governmental entities which cover substantially all employees who meet certain length of service requirements.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

o. Restricted Net Assets

For GWFS Statement of Net Assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net assets used are either:

- Externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; and
- Imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

p. Reserves and Designations

In the FFS, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

q. Claims and Judgments

Losses resulting from claims and judgments, including related expenditures, salvage and subrogation, are estimated by utilizing a case by case review of all claims, based on data provided by legal counsel and third-party administrators. The liability for such losses is recorded in the General Fund. Incurred but not reported claims as of June 30, 2008 have been considered in determining the accrued liability.

r. Sales Taxes

The School Board collects four and three-quarters percent (4 $\frac{3}{4}$ %) in sales and use tax. The sales and use tax is collected by an independent contractor, who is contracted through the School Board and serves as the sales tax department. Two and one-quarter percent (2 $\frac{1}{4}$ %) of the taxes collected are remitted to the Parish Council. One-quarter percent of the taxes collected are remitted to the Sheriff's Department. The School Board's costs of collecting the funds are shared proportionally by the Parish Council, Sheriff's Department and the School Board. The School Board retains the remaining two and one-quarter percent (2 $\frac{1}{4}$ %) of the taxes collected and allocates them as follows:

General Fund:

General Support Service	1%
Regular Instruction Programs	1/3%
Repairs and Maintenance of	
Plant and Facilities	1/3%
Capital Projects Fund	1/3%
Teacher Salaries	<u>1/4%</u>
	<u>2 $\frac{1}{4}$%</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2008

NOTE 3 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and Cash Equivalents

At June 30, 2008, the School Board had cash and cash equivalents as follows:

Bank accounts per Balance Sheet \$8,711,508

Under state law, the bank balances of these deposits must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The fair value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal or exceed the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent.

At fiscal year-end, the bank balance deposits totaled \$ 8,784,489.

In addition, the School Board maintains a \$275,000 certificate of deposit pledged as collateral for workers' compensation insurance, which is included in the investments caption on the Statement of Net Assets.

The School Board does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

Investments

The School Board maintains an investment pool with an investment broker for all funds. Each fund's portion of the cash and investment pool is included in that fund's cash and cash equivalent account and/or that fund's investment account. Interest earned on pooled cash and investments is allocated to the participating funds based upon their combined participating balances.

Investments in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc. (LAMP), a local government investment pool (see Summary of Significant Accounting Policies) consisted of \$20,312,534 at June 30, 2008.

Custodial Credit Risk

Investments can be exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities underlying the investment are uninsured, not registered in the name of the entity, and are either held by the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the entity's name.

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NOTE 3 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The School Board's investment policy limits the School Board's investments to U.S. Treasury Bills and Notes, certificates of deposit and time deposits with domestic banks and investments in LAMP.

The School Board's investments in LAMP are not exposed to custodial credit risk because their existence is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. LAMP is administered by LAMP, Inc. a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local governments having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets. The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in the short-term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest. Accordingly, LAMP investments are restricted to securities issued, guaranteed, or backed by the U.S. Treasury, the U.S. Government, or one of its agencies, enterprises, or instrumentalities, as well as repurchase agreements collateralized by those securities and any other investments allowed by state statute. The Standard & Poor's fund rating is AAA indicating a superior capacity to maintain principal value and limit exposure to losses.

Credit Risk, Concentration of Credit Risk and Interest Rate Risk Disclosures

Credit Risk of Debt Investments

The School Board does not maintain any debt investments and is, therefore, not exposed to credit risk of debt investments.

Concentration of Credit Risk

The School Board's investments in LAMP are investments in an external investment pool and are, therefore, not exposed to a concentration of credit risk.

Interest Rate Risk

As of June 30, 2008, the School Board had the following investments:

Investment	<u>Maturity</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
LAMP	90 day average	<u>\$ 20,312,534</u>

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NOTE 3 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

In accordance with its investment policy, the School Board manages its exposure to declines in fair values by limiting the weighted average of its maturity of its investment portfolio to less than one year.

NOTE 4 - AD VALOREM TAXES

The School Board levies taxes on real and business personal property located within St. John the Baptist Parish's boundaries. Property taxes are levied by the School Board on property values assessed by the St. John the Baptist Parish Tax Assessor and approved by the State of Louisiana Tax Commission.

All taxable property in Louisiana is required by law to be assessed annually at a percentage of its fair market value. Fair market value is determined by the elected assessor of the parish on all property subject to taxation except public service properties, which is valued by the Louisiana Tax Commission (LRS 47:1957).

The 1974 Louisiana Constitution (Article 7 Section 18) provided that land and improvement for residential purposes be assessed at 10% of fair market value; other property and electric cooperative properties, excluding land, are to be assessed at 15% of fair market value and public service properties, excluding land, are to be assessed at 25% of fair market value. The correctness of assessments by the assessor is subject to review and rectification by the Louisiana Tax Commission. The Assessor is required to reappraise all property subject to taxation at intervals of not more than four years.

Ad valorem taxes are attached as an enforceable lien of property as of January 1 of each year. Taxes are levied by the Parish Assessor during the year and are billed to taxpayers in November. Billed taxes become delinquent on December 31. Revenues from ad valorem taxes are budgeted in the year billed and recognized as revenue when billed. The Parish Assessor bills and collects the property taxes.

The following is a summary of authorized and levied ad valorem taxes for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 (calendar year 2007 assessments):

	<u>Millage Authorized</u>	<u>Millage Levied</u>
Parishwide Taxes		
Constitutional	3.73	3.73
Maintenance and operations	4.43	4.43
Salaries and Health	10.34	10.34
Salaries and Benefits	3.33	3.33
Bond debt	<u>22.00</u>	<u>22.00</u>
	<u>43.83</u>	<u>43.83</u>

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NOTE 4 - AD VALOREM TAXES (CONTINUED)

The School Board is permitted by state law to levy taxes up to \$48 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. For the year ended June 30, 2008, taxes of 43.83 mills were levied on property with assessed valuations totaling \$274,899,095. Total taxes levied were \$12,048,827. Property taxes receivable at June 30, 2008 totaled \$10,322 and is included under the caption receivables due from other governments in the GWFS and the caption receivables in the FFS.

NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The receivables due from other governments of \$2,265,086 at June 30, 2008 are as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receivable:			
State	\$ 397,520	\$ -	\$ 397,520
Federal	1,110,960	720,718	1,831,678
Other	<u>35,888</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>35,888</u>
	<u>\$1,544,368</u>	<u>\$ 720,718</u>	<u>\$2,265,086</u>

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, is as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2007	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2008
Governmental Activities				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Construction in Progress	\$ 547,032	\$12,742,170	\$(5,135,539)	\$ 8,153,663
Land	<u>3,303,954</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>3,303,954</u>
Total capital assets Not being depreciated	<u>3,850,986</u>	<u>12,742,170</u>	<u>(5,135,539)</u>	<u>11,457,617</u>
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	61,203,355	5,135,539	-	66,338,894
Furniture and equipment	4,811,720	901,212	(218,163)	5,494,769
Total capital assets being depreciated	<u>66,015,075</u>	<u>6,036,751</u>	<u>(218,163)</u>	<u>71,833,663</u>
Less accumulated depreciation:				
Buildings and improvements	(35,987,822)	(1,979,792)	-	(37,967,614)
Furniture and equipment	(4,056,790)	(392,653)	218,163	(4,231,280)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(40,044,612)</u>	<u>(2,372,445)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(42,198,894)</u>
Net capital assets being depreciated	<u>25,970,463</u>	<u>3,664,306</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,634,769</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 29,821,449</u>	<u>\$ 16,406,476</u>	<u>\$(5,135,539)</u>	<u>\$ 41,092,386</u>

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NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS (CONTINUED)

The construction in progress shown above of \$8,153,663 consists of the costs incurred for the new Emily Watkins Elementary School expected to open in fiscal year ended June 30, 2009.

Depreciation expense of \$2,372,445 for the year ended June 30, 2008, was charged to the following governmental functions:

Instruction:	
Regular education	\$ 778,150
Special education	405,614
Vocational education	5,300
Other educational programs	80,418
Support services:	
Student services	87,918
Instructional staff support	38,663
General administration	87,153
School administration	111,306
Business services	15,114
Plant services	175,444
Student transportation	104,639
Central services	32,945
School food services	87,018
Other expenses	<u>362,763</u>
Total	<u>\$ 2,372,445</u>

NOTE 7 - ACCOUNTS AND SALARIES PAYABLE

The following is a summary of accounts and salaries payable as of June 30, 2008:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Lunch/Breakfast Fund</u>	<u>Capital Projects II</u>	<u>Non-major Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Accounts payable	\$ 1,222,366	\$ -	\$ 1,668,776	\$ 73,008	\$2,964,150
Accrued salaries and benefits	<u>5,688,251</u>	<u>167,379</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>248,746</u>	<u>6,104,376</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,910,617</u>	<u>\$ 167,379</u>	<u>\$ 1,668,776</u>	<u>\$ 321,754</u>	<u>\$9,068,526</u>

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NOTE 8 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

Individual fund interfund receivables and payables balances at June 30, 2008 reported on the fund financial statements were as follows:

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Special Revenue Funds:	
	Head Start	\$ 162,445
	Title I	897,193
	Lunch	298,927
	Capital Project Funds:	
	Capital Projects II	<u>2,015,641</u>
	Total due to General Fund	<u>\$3,374,206</u>

The purpose of the interfund receivables and payables is to meet current operational needs and are expected to be repaid within one year, with the exception of the amount due to the Sinking Fund from the General Fund. Receivables and payables result from the General Fund pay for the expenditures of the other funds until they receive the federal grant money to reimburse the General Fund for those expenditures.

NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the School Board. These bonds were issued over the years for the purpose of constructing and acquiring capital assets and are to be repaid by the levy of dedicated ad valorem taxes.

Sales tax bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the School Board. These bonds were issued for the purpose of making capital improvements to the school system and are payable from the dedication of one-third (1/3) of the special one percent (1%) sales and use tax now being levied and collected in the Parish.

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

The following schedule shows the changes in general obligation bonds, sales tax bonds, and certificates of indebtedness, the outstanding balance of the bonds and certificates of indebtedness at June 30, 2008 and the total future interest due on the bonds:

<u>Bond Type</u>	<u>Date of Issuance</u>	<u>Authorized and Issued</u>	<u>Interest Rate %</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Principal Outstanding</u>	<u>Interest To Maturity</u>
<u>General Obligation Bonds</u>						
Refunding Series 1998	9/1/98	\$ 6,975,000	3.65 - 4.75	3/1/12	\$ 1,130,000	\$ 51,721
Refunding Series 2001	4/1/01	3,690,000	4.00 - 4.55	3/1/14	2,580,000	436,575
Refunding Series 2003	4/1/03	8,850,000	2.00 - 3.25	4/1/13	1,770,000	56,640
Series 2002	10/1/01	5,000,000	3.35 - 7.00	3/1/22	4,090,000	1,448,332
Refunding Series 2004	12/15/04	3,190,000	1.90 - 3.00	3/1/10	<u>1,315,000</u>	<u>58,260</u>
Total General Obligation Bonds					10,885,000	2,051,528
<u>Sales Tax Bonds</u>						
Series 2006	09/01/06	18,000,000	5.75%	4/1/31	17,365,000	11,004,544
<u>Certificates of Indebtedness</u>						
QZAB Series 2000	8/3/00	3,500,000	N/A	9/1/10	<u>1,050,000</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Total Bonds and Certificates of Indebtedness					<u>\$ 29,300,000</u>	<u>\$13,096,072</u>

Bond principal and interest payable in the next fiscal year is \$5,850,250. Interest paid and bank charges in the current fiscal year on general obligation bonds and sales tax bonds amounted to \$1,345,354.

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

At June 30, 2008, the School Board accumulated \$6,210,643 in the Debt Service Funds for the future retirement of General Obligation Bonds.

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 39:562, the School Board is legally restricted from incurring long-term bonded debt in excess of 35 percent of the assessed value of taxable property. At June 30, 2008, the statutory limit is \$124,564,406 resulting in a legal debt margin of \$113,679,406.

The School Board is in compliance with all significant limitations and restrictions as set forth in the individual bond indentures.

Annual debt service to maturity is as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Principal and Interest</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Principal</u>
2009	\$ 5,850,250	\$ 1,225,250	\$ 4,625,000
2010	3,138,343	1,058,343	2,080,000
2011	2,445,965	985,965	1,460,000
2012	2,100,988	930,988	1,170,000
2013	2,106,628	876,628	1,230,000
2014-2018	8,606,036	3,636,036	4,970,000
2019-2023	7,910,187	2,575,187	5,335,000
2024-2031	<u>10,237,675</u>	<u>1,807,675</u>	<u>8,430,000</u>
	<u>\$42,396,072</u>	<u>\$13,096,072</u>	<u>\$29,300,000</u>

Advance Refunding

The School Board issued \$18,000,000 of Sales Tax School Bonds, Series 2006, with interest yields between 4.1% and 7.0% to provide resources to purchase U.S. Government securities that were placed in an irrevocable trust for the purpose of generating resources for all future debt service payments of \$945,000 of Sales Tax School Bonds. The remainder is for capital improvements. As a result, the refunded bonds are considered to be defeased and the liability has been removed from the governmental activities column of the statement of net assets. This advance refunding was undertaken primarily to fund capital improvements.

Prior Years' Defeasance of Debt

On February 25, 1987, the School Board issued \$10,408,597 in General Obligation Bonds with interest yields between 4.8% and 6.8% to advance refund the callable portion (\$10,900,000) of a \$15,000,000 outstanding 1984 Series bond issue with interest rates of 10% to 12%. The School Board placed sufficient proceeds of the new bonds in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments on the old debt.

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

Accordingly, the trust account assets and the liability for the defeased debt are not included in the School Board's financial statements. At June 30, 2008, the balance of the defeased portion of the bonds was \$5,000.

On August 1, 1995, the School Board issued \$7,100,000 of General Obligation School Bonds, Series 1995A and 1995B, the proceeds of which were used to refund the School Board's revenue bonds, Series ST-1979 and ST-1988, and Sales Tax School Bonds Series 1992, and to improve or construct lands, buildings, playgrounds, and other school related facilities. The ST-1979 bonds were called and the outstanding defeased amounts of ST-1988 Bonds and Sales Tax School Bonds Series 1992 were \$225,000 and \$470,000, respectively, as of June 30, 2008. The trust account assets and the liability for these defeased bonds are not included in the School Board's general-purpose financial statements.

On September 1, 1998, the School Board issued \$6,975,000 in General Obligation Refunding Bonds with interest rates ranging between 3.65% and 4.75%. The School Board issued the bonds to advance refund \$6,410,000 of the outstanding series 1992 General Obligation School Bonds with interest rates ranging between 6.25% and 6.5%. The School Board used the net proceeds to purchase U.S. Government Securities. These securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service on the refunded portion of the 1992 series bonds. As a result, that portion of the 1992 series bonds is considered defeased, and the School Board has removed the liability from its accounts. At June 30, 2008, the balance of the defeased portion of the bonds was \$1,145,000.

On April 1, 2002, the School Board issued \$3,690,000 in General Obligation Refunding Bonds to advance refund \$3,385,000 of outstanding General Obligation School Bonds, Series 1995 with interest rates ranging between 5% and 9%. The School Board used the net proceeds to purchase U. S. Government Securities. These securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service on the refund portion of the 1995 Series Bonds. As a result, that portion of the 1995 Series Bonds is considered defeased, and the School Board has removed the liability from its accounts. At June 30, 2008, the balance of the defeased portion of the bonds was \$2,535,000.

On December 15, 2004, the School Board issued \$3,190,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds with interest yields between 1.9% and 3.0%. The School Board issued the bonds to advance refund \$3,020,000 of the outstanding series 1995 General Obligation School Bonds. The School Board used the net proceeds to purchase U.S. Government Securities. These securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service on the refunded portion of the 1995 series bonds. As a result, that portion of the 1995 series bond is considered defeased, and the School Board has removed the liability from its accounts. At June 30, 2008, the balance of the defeased portion of the bonds was \$1,310,000.

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

On September 1, 2006, the School Board issued \$18,000,000 of Sales Tax School Bonds, Series 2006. The School Board issued the bonds to advance refund \$945,000 of the outstanding Sales Tax School Bonds, Series 2001 dated April 1, 2001, and maturing April 1, 2007 to April 1, 2021, with the remainder to fund capital improvements. \$945,000 of securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service on the refunded portion of the 2001 series bonds. As a result, that portion of the 2001 series bonds are considered defeased, and the School Board has removed the liability from its accounts. At June 30, 2008, the balance of the defeased portion of the bonds was \$860,000.

General Long-Term Obligations

The following is a summary of the changes to general long-term obligations for the year ended June 30, 2008:

	<u>Compensated Absences</u>	<u>Total Bonded Debt</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance at June 30, 2007	\$ 2,291,458	\$ 33,535,000	\$ 35,826,458
Additions	498,793	-	498,793
Deductions - payments and retirements	<u>(357,227)</u>	<u>(4,235,000)</u>	<u>(4,592,227)</u>
Balance at June 30, 2008	<u>\$ 2,433,024</u>	<u>\$ 29,300,000</u>	<u>\$ 31,733,024</u>

The deductions-payments and retirements are reflected in the Statement of Revenues Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. The deduction in compensated absences of \$357,227 is included in payroll which is allocated among all the functions. The bond and note deductions totaling \$4,235,000 of principal payments are included under the caption "Principal Retirement".

The following is a summary of the current (due in one year or less) and the long-term (due in more than one year) portions of long-term obligations as of June 30, 2008:

	<u>Bonded Debt</u>	<u>Compensated Absences</u>	<u>Other Post- Employee Benefits</u>	<u>Total</u>
Current portion	\$ 4,625,000	\$ 705,000	\$ -	\$ 5,330,000
Long-term portion	<u>24,675,000</u>	<u>1,728,024</u>	<u>2,931,825</u>	<u>29,334,849</u>
Total	<u>\$ 29,300,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,433,024</u>	<u>\$ 2,931,825</u>	<u>\$ 34,664,849</u>

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NOTE 9 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

The current portion of the compensated absences is based on an average of amounts used in previous periods. Compensated absences are liquidated by the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds.

NOTE 10 - INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Fund Receiving Transfer	Amount Transferred In	Fund Making Transfer	Amount Transferred Out
General Fund	\$ 2,015,641	Capital Projects II Fund	\$ 3,231,343
Sinking II Fund	<u>1,215,702</u>		
Totals	<u>\$ 3,231,343</u>		<u>\$ 3,231,343</u>

The Capital Projects II Fund is used to account for the proceeds of a one-third of one percent sales and use tax dedicated to capital acquisition and improvements. The above transfer represents the amount not needed for that purpose.

NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The School Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and students; and natural disasters. The School Board established a self-insurance program recorded in the General Fund to account for and finance its uninsured risk of loss as described below. No claim settlements in the past three years exceeded insurance coverage. Premiums are paid by the General Fund. Other funds are charged at the time of occurrence of the claim payment. The amounts of claim liabilities that are accrued are based on data as provided by a third party administrator.

Workers' Compensation Insurance

The School Board has a self-insurance program for workers' compensation whereby the School Board is exposed to losses relating to any potential claim for up to \$300,000 per occurrence and \$1,000,000 in the aggregate. The General Fund reports the claims' expenditures and liabilities when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of that loss can be reasonably estimated. The claims liability at June 30, 2008 totaled \$443,711.

The School Board has one certificate of deposit totaling \$275,000, which is held in trust at a local bank for the Office of Worker's Compensation as collateral for potential claims against the School Board. This certificate is included in investments.

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NOTE 11 - RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

General Liability and Automobile Insurance

As of June 30, 2008, the School Board is insured for up to \$3,000,000 or \$1,000,000 per occurrence. The amount of the insurance deductible is \$25,000 per occurrence with no limit in aggregate, for public entity general liability and automobile (fleet) liability. The claims liability at June 30, 2008 totaled \$371,582.

The changes in claims liability amounts were as follows for the years ended June 30, 2007 and 2008:

	<u>Beginning Fiscal Year Liability</u>	<u>Claims and Changes in Estimates</u>	<u>Benefit Payments and Claims</u>	<u>Balance at End of Fiscal Year</u>
Workers' compensation:				
2007	\$ 378,463	\$ 91,623	\$ 91,623	\$ 378,463
2008	378,463	86,574	10,813	454,224
Property damage and automotive liability:				
2007	\$ 327,122	\$ 27,415	\$ 27,415	\$ 327,122
2008	327,122	136,661	92,201	371,582
Total:				
2007	\$ 705,585	\$ 119,038	\$ 119,038	\$ 705,585
2008	705,585	223,235	103,014	825,806

Changes in estimates are included in general administration expenditures.

There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage during the fiscal year.

NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Substantially all employees of the School Board are members of two statewide retirement systems. In general, professional employees (such as teachers and principals) and lunchroom workers are members of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana; other employees, such as custodial personnel and bus drivers are members of the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System. These systems are cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans administered by a separate board of trustees. Pertinent information, relative to each plan is as follows:

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NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana (TRSL)

Plan description - The School Board participates in two membership plans of the TRSL, the Regular Plan and Plan B. The TRSL provides retirement benefits as well as disability and survivor benefits. Ten years of service credit is required to become vested for retirement benefits and five years to become vested for disability and survivor benefits. Benefits are established and amended by state statute. The TRSL issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the TRSL. That report may be obtained by writing to the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, Post Office Box 94123, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9123 or by calling (225) 925-6446.

Funding policy - Plan members are required to contribute 8.0 percent and 5.0 percent of their annual covered salary for the Regular Plan and Plan B, respectively. The School Board is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 16.6 percent of annual covered payroll for both membership plans. Member contributions and employer contributions for the TRSL are established by state law and rates are established by the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. The School Board's employer contribution to the TRSL, as provided by state law, is provided by remittances from the School Board and by deductions from local ad valorem taxes.

The School Board's contributions to the TRSL for the years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$5,898,019, \$5,050,390 and \$4,924,127, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System (LSERS)

Plan Description - The LSERS provides retirement benefits as well as disability and survivor benefits. Ten years of service credit is required to become vested for retirement benefits and five years to become vested for disability and survivor benefits. Benefits are established and amended by state statute. The LSERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the LSERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, Post Office Box 44516, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804 or by calling (225) 925-6484.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 7.5 percent of their annual covered salary, and the School Board is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 18.1 percent of annual covered payroll. Member and employer contributions for the LSERS are established by state law and rates are established by the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. The School Board's employer contribution for the LSERS is funded by remittances from the School Board.

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NOTE 12 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

The School Board's contributions to the LSERS for the years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006 were \$572,015, \$520,053 and \$474,143, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

NOTE 13 - POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Plan Description. St. John the Baptist Parish School Board participates in a fully funded health insurance program administered by a fully insured third party administrator.

The School Board extends post employment medical insurance benefits to qualifying employees. Eligibility of retirement is achieved under the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana upon completion of thirty (30) years with the School Board (any age), twenty-five (25) years of service (if age 55 or older), twenty (20) years of service (if age 65 or older). Employees covered by the Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System have the same retirement eligibility except the last requirement is ten (10) years of service (age 60 or older) instead of twenty (20) years of service (if age 65 or older). Currently the School Board provides post employment medical benefits to 387 retired employees. This post employment benefits plan, a single employer defined benefit plan, provides retirees with a fully funded medical insurance plan with preferred provider organization (PPO) and health maintenance organization (HMO) benefits administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield. The plan assumes the implementation of Medicare Advantage plans for retirees who are eligible for Medicare beginning July 1, 2007, and capping future premiums to 200% of current funding rates.

The basic life insurance amounts can be continued after retirement. The employer pays for 50% of the basic insurance amount. Benefit amounts are further reduced by 50% at age 70. Currently the School Board provides post employment life insurance benefits to 420 retired employees.

Contribution Rates. Employees do not contribute to their post employment benefits costs until they become retirees and begin receiving those benefits. The retirees contribute to the cost of retiree healthcare based on a years of service schedule.

Fund Policy. Until 2006, the School Board recognized the cost of providing post-employment medical benefits (the School Board's portion of the retiree medical and life insurance benefit premiums) as an expense when the benefit premiums were due and thus financed the cost of the post-employment benefits on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Effective with the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, the School Board prospectively implemented Government Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post Employment Benefits Other than Pensions* (GASB 45). The School Board has begun the process of establishing a trust whose assets will be dedicated to providing post employment benefits to retired employees and their

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NOTE 13 - POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

beneficiaries and which will be legally protected from creditors. It is the intent of the School Board, once the trust is established, to contribute its portion of post employment benefits to the trust on a monthly basis.

Annual Required Contribution. The School Board's Annual Required Contribution (ARC) is an amount actuarially determined in accordance with GASB 45. The ARC is equal to the normal cost plus an amount necessary to amortize the Unfunded Actuarial Liability (UAL) over a period of thirty (30) years. A level dollar, closed amortization period has been used. The total ARC for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2007 is \$2,704,375 (medical) and \$102,274 (life), as set forth below:

	<u>Medical</u>	<u>Life</u>
Normal Cost	\$ 561,704	\$ 20,009
30-year UAL amortization amount	<u>2,142,671</u>	<u>82,265</u>
Annual required contribution (ARC)	<u>\$2,704,375</u>	<u>\$ 102,274</u>

Net Post-Employment Benefit Obligation (Asset). The table below shows the School Board's Net Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligation for fiscal year ended June 30, 2008:

	<u>Medical</u>	<u>Life</u>
Beginning Net OPEB Obligation 7/1/2007	\$ 1,066,650	\$ 43,809
Annual required contribution	2,704,375	102,274
Interest on Net OPEB Obligation	-	-
ARC Adjustment	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
OPEB Cost	2,704,375	102,274
Contribution	-	-
Current year retiree premium	<u>(2,037,275)</u>	<u>(58,465)</u>
Change in Net OPEB Obligation	<u>667,100</u>	<u>43,809</u>
Ending Net OPEB Obligation 6/30/2008	<u>\$ 1,733,750</u>	<u>\$ 87,618</u>

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The following table shows the School Board's annual Post-Employment Benefits (PEB) cost, percentage of the cost contributed, and the net unfunded Post-Employment Benefits (PEB) liability:

Post Employment Benefit	Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual Cost Contributed	Net PEB Liability (Asset)
Medical	June 30, 2008	\$3,771,025	54.02%	\$ 2,037,275
Life	June 30, 2008	\$ 146,083	40.02%	\$ 58,465

Funded Status and Funding Progress. In the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, the School Board made no contributions to its post employment benefits plan trust since such a trust had not been established. The plan was not funded at all, has no assets, and hence has a funded ratio of zero. As of July 1, 2006, the first and most recent actuarial valuation, the Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) was \$26,588,433 (medical) and \$1,021,163 (life), which is defined as that portion, as determined by a particular actuarial cost method (the School Board uses the Unit Credit Cost Method), of the actuarial present value of post employment plan benefits and expenses which is not provided by normal cost. Since the plan was not funded in fiscal year 2006/2007, the entire actuarial accrued liability of \$26,588,433 (medical) and \$1,021,163 (life) was unfunded. The covered payroll was \$38,690,538 and the ratio of unfunded actuarially accrued liability to the covered payroll was 71.4%.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions. Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of events far into the future. The actuarial valuation for post employment benefits includes estimates and assumptions regarding (1) turnover rate; (2) retirement rate; (3) health care cost trend rate; (4) mortality rate; (5) discount rate (investment return assumption); and (6) the period to which the costs apply (past, current, or future years of service by employees). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared to past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

The actuarial calculations are based on the types of benefits provided under the terms of the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the School Board and its employee plan members) at the time of the valuation and on the pattern of sharing costs between the School Board and its plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations on the pattern of cost sharing between the School Board and plan members in the future. Consistent with the long-term perspective of actuarial calculations, the actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial liabilities and the actuarial value of assets.

Actuarial Cost Method. The ARC is determined using the Unit Credit Cost Method. The employer portion of the cost for retiree medical care in each future year is determined by

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projecting the current cost levels using the healthcare cost trend rate and discounting this projected amount to the valuation date using the other described pertinent actuarial assumptions, including the investment return assumption (discount rate), mortality, and turnover.

Actuarial Value of Plan Assets. Since this is the first actuarial valuation, there are not any assets. It is anticipated that in future valuations a smoothed market value consistent with Actuarial Standards Board ASOP 6, as provided in paragraph number 125 of GASB Statement 45.

Turnover Rate. The following age related turnover scale was used:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Percent Turnover</u>
15 - 25	12.0%
26 - 41	10.0%
42 - 55	8.0%
55+	6.0%

Post employment Benefit Plan Eligibility Requirements. It is assumed that entitlement to benefits will commence six years after earliest eligibility for retirement. Eligibility for retirement has been assumed to be the any of: (1), completion of thirty (30) years of service at any age, (2), attainment of age 55 with at least twenty-five (25) years of service, (3), attainment of age 65 with at least twenty (20) years of service, and (4), attainment of age 60 with at least ten (10) years of service (Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System only).

Investment Return Assumption (Discount Rate). GASB Statement 45 states that the investment return assumption should be the estimated long-term investment yield on the investments that are expected to be used to finance the payment of benefits. Based on the assumption that the ARC will be funded, a 7% annual investment return has been used in this valuation. This is a conservative estimate of the expected long term return of a balanced and conservative investment portfolio under professional management.

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NOTE 13 - POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Health Care Cost Trend Rate. In the absence of readily available cost trend data from the Office of Group Benefits, the expected rate of increase in health care insurance premiums is based on projections of the Office of the Actuary at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services as published in *National Health Care Expenditures Projections: 2003 to 2013*, Table 3: National Health Expenditures Aggregate and Per Capita Amounts, Percent Distribution and Average Annual Percent Change by Source of Funds: Selected Calendar Years 1990-2013, released in January 2004, by the Health Care Financial Administration. "State and Local" rates for 2008 through 2013 from this report we used, with rates beyond 2013 graduating down to an ultimate annual rate of 5.0% for 2017 and later, as set forth below:

2008	8.0%
2009	8.0%
2010	8.0%
2011	7.9%
2012	7.8%
2013	7.7%
2014	7.6%
2015	6.7%
2016	6.0%
2017 and later	5.0%

Mortality Rate. The 1994 Group Annuity Reserving (94GAR) table, projected to 2002, based on a fixed blend of 50% of the unloaded male mortality rate and 50% of the unloaded female mortality rates, was used. This is the mortality table which the Internal Revenue Service requires to be used in determining the value of accrued benefits in defined benefit pension plans.

Method of Determining Value of Benefits. The "value of benefits" has been assumed to be the portion of the premium after retirement date expected to be paid by the employer for each retiree and has been used as the basis for calculating the actuarial present value of OPEB benefits to be paid. The rates provided are "blended" rates for active and retired. Since GASB 45 requires the use of "unblended" rates, we have used estimated "unblended" rates determined as follows. The pre-Medicare employer provided rates were determined by adding 30% to the currently prevailing blended "total premium" rates, and then subtracting the "State premium". The post-Medicare employer provided rates were determined by subtracting 20% from the currently prevailing blended "total premium" rates, and then subtracting the "State premium". The employer pays a percentage of the premium after retirement based on the number of years of service at retirement as follows: 20 or more years, 100%; 15 but less than 20 years, 75%; 10 but less than 15 years, 50%; and, 0% for less than 10 years. In the absence of data concerning length of service at retirement for current retirees, it has been assumed that the employer pays for 80% of current retirees' premium.

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NOTE 14 - CHANGE IN AGENCY DEPOSITS DUE OTHERS

A summary of changes in deposits due others is as follows:

	<u>School Activity</u>	<u>Sales Tax Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance at beginning of year	\$ 389,218	\$ 351,255	\$ 740,473
Additions	1,784,243	45,734,915	47,519,158
Deductions	(1,869,198)	(45,545,254)	(47,414,452)
Balance at end of year	<u>\$ 304,263</u>	<u>\$ 540,916</u>	<u>\$ 845,179</u>

NOTE 15 - LITIGATION AND CONTINGENCIES

At June 30, 2008, the School Board was a defendant in various lawsuits principally arising from the normal course of operations. The School Board's legal counsel has reviewed the School Board's claims and lawsuits, which are primarily personal injury claims, in order to evaluate the likelihood of an unfavorable outcome to the School Board and to arrive at the estimate, if any, of the amount or range of potential claims and lawsuits that have been categorized into "probable," "reasonably possible", or "remote," as defined by the GASB Codification C50.

Amounts of claims classified as "probable" have been accrued as claims payable, as explained in Note 11. It is the opinion of the School Board, after conferring with legal counsel for the School Board, that the potential claims against the School Board not covered by self-insurance reserves and commercial insurance would not materially affect its financial statements.

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally by the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the School Board expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

In April 2000, the School Board entered into an energy performance contract with an engineering firm for the purpose of providing equipment replacement, lighting retrofitting and energy management system installation at various schools and buildings owned by the School Board. These improvements were done for the purpose of providing the School Board with energy savings and reducing the related energy costs. The Louisiana Attorney General recently issued an opinion (A.G. Opinion Number 07-0002) regarding a similar contract with another school board and concluded that because the operational stipulated savings were not guaranteed by the contractor, the contract did not meet the statutory definition of a performance-based energy efficiency contract. The contractor sued the other school board in the 18th Judicial District Court for payment relating to the contract. The District Court found for the other school board and determined that the contract was not fully guaranteed and was found to be null and void. The matter is currently under appeal and no final legal resolution of the matter has been reached. The contract entered into by the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board also has

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NOTE 15 - LITIGATION AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

operational stipulated savings. However, this portion of the contract and the related savings were not considered in the School Board's decision to enter into the contract. Management of the School Board is satisfied with the results generated by the performance of this contract.

Management of the School Board is aware of the potential legal ramifications of the situation, but, upon advice of counsel, feels that it would be prudent, at the present time, to continue to adhere to the terms of the contract and to monitor the legal situation. As the situation develops, the School Board will assess its options and act accordingly.

NOTE 16 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In the aftermath of Hurricane Gustav, a \$750 one-time salary adjustment was paid to all employees on September 18, 2008 from excess sales taxes. The payment was made to assist St. John School Board employees in their individual recovery efforts.

On November 4, 2008, the voters of St. John the Baptist Parish voted to authorize the School Board to levy a ten (10) year, eight (8) mills property tax for providing additional support to public elementary and secondary schools in the District. The tax dedicates one mill to pay the District's unfunded obligations for health benefits for retired employees and to establish a trust fund for said purpose to the extent permitted by law. Four (4) mills will be dedicated to paying salaries and benefits of teachers and other employees and the remaining three (3) mills will be dedicated to implementing a written plan for academic school improvements. The property tax will be collected for a period of 10 years beginning in 2009 and ending with the year 2018. The additional property tax is anticipated to generate approximately \$2,340,000 annually.

On November 4, 2008, the voters of St. John the Baptist Parish authorized the School District to issue 20 year General Obligation Bonds not exceeding \$46 million with an interest rate not to exceed 7% per annum. The proceeds of the bonds will be used for the purpose of acquiring and improving land for building sites and playgrounds within the District.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION -

PART II

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULES
GENERAL FUND AND MAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS WITH
LEGALLY ADOPTED BUDGETS**

GENERAL FUND

To account for resources traditionally associated with the School Board which are not required legally or by prudent financial management to be accounted for in another fund.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts, or for major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

School Lunch/Breakfast Fund

The School Lunch/Breakfast Fund accounts for the operation of the school food service programs in the parish school system during the regular school term. The basic goals of the school food service programs are to serve nutritionally adequate, attractive, and moderately-priced meals, to help children grow socially, and to provide learning experiences that will improve children's food habits with the ultimate goal of physically-fit adults.

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Local sources:				
Taxes:				
Ad valorem	\$ 5,389,414	\$ 6,073,410	\$ 5,797,650	\$ (275,760)
Sales and use	15,536,793	17,808,100	19,726,076	1,917,976
Interest earnings	595,000	485,000	480,661	(4,339)
Other	615,875	626,875	416,648	(210,227)
Total local sources	<u>22,137,082</u>	<u>24,993,385</u>	<u>26,421,035</u>	<u>1,427,650</u>
State sources:				
Minimum Foundation Program	32,154,599	34,260,853	33,820,849	(440,004)
Other	1,453,961	1,568,470	1,972,051	403,581
Total state sources	<u>33,608,560</u>	<u>35,829,323</u>	<u>35,792,900</u>	<u>(36,423)</u>
Federal sources	3,719,491	5,146,555	3,359,714	(1,786,841)
Total revenues	<u>59,465,133</u>	<u>65,969,263</u>	<u>65,573,649</u>	<u>(395,614)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular programs	25,698,430	28,811,636	29,096,312	(284,676)
Special programs	12,073,753	13,819,921	12,388,573	1,431,348
Vocational programs	230,466	206,183	198,191	7,992
All other programs	3,207,355	3,590,673	3,006,977	583,696
Support services:				
Student services	3,111,508	3,366,196	3,287,409	78,787
Instructional staff support	1,111,520	1,459,286	1,445,674	13,612
General administration	1,957,217	2,018,552	1,704,325	314,227
School administration	3,907,597	4,186,233	4,161,904	24,329
Business services	600,031	613,109	565,124	47,985
Plant services	6,161,935	6,637,874	6,560,137	77,737
Student transportation services	3,792,309	4,180,712	3,912,613	268,099
Central services	1,206,395	1,318,583	1,231,849	86,734
Capital outlay	17,575	10,370	158,296	(147,926)
Debt Service				
Principal Retirement	350,000	350,000	350,000	-
Interest and Bank Charges	6,500	6,500	6,989	(489)
Total expenditures	<u>63,432,591</u>	<u>70,575,828</u>	<u>68,074,373</u>	<u>2,501,455</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(3,967,458)</u>	<u>(4,606,565)</u>	<u>(2,500,724)</u>	<u>2,105,841</u>

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
GENERAL FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE (CONTINUED)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (Uses)				
Transfers in	\$ 1,521,910	\$ 1,954,300	\$ 2,015,641	\$ 61,341
Transfers out	(400,000)	(400,000)	-	400,000
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>1,121,910</u>	<u>1,554,300</u>	<u>2,015,641</u>	<u>461,341</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	<u>(2,845,548)</u>	<u>(3,052,265)</u>	<u>(485,083)</u>	<u>2,567,182</u>
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	<u>9,977,391</u>	<u>9,977,391</u>	<u>9,977,391</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	<u><u>\$ 7,131,843</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 6,925,126</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 9,492,308</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,567,182</u></u>

The notes to the Required Supplementary Information are an integral part of this schedule.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
LUNCH/BREAKFAST SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance With Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
REVENUES				
Food services	\$ 242,500	\$ 225,000	\$ 219,037	\$ (5,963)
Interest on cash and investments	9,000	9,000	9,608	608
Other local sources	-	-	-	-
State equalization	400,000	558,404	440,000	(118,404)
Grants	2,679,865	2,631,780	2,562,097	(69,683)
Total revenues	<u>3,331,365</u>	<u>3,424,184</u>	<u>3,230,742</u>	<u>(193,442)</u>
EXPENDITURES				
Food services	3,311,365	3,433,395	3,253,759	179,636
Capital outlay	10,000	24,000	-	24,000
Total expenditures	<u>3,321,365</u>	<u>3,457,395</u>	<u>3,253,759</u>	<u>203,636</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>10,000</u>	<u>(33,211)</u>	<u>(23,017)</u>	<u>10,194</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	<u>10,000</u>	<u>(33,211)</u>	<u>(23,017)</u>	<u>10,194</u>
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	<u>33,211</u>	<u>33,211</u>	<u>33,211</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	<u>\$ 43,211</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 10,194</u>	<u>\$ 10,194</u>

The notes to the Required Supplementary Information are an integral part of this schedule.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

NOTE 1 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Budgets for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds are legally adopted by the School Board on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NON-MAJOR FUNDS DESCRIPTIONS**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Special Revenue Funds account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts, or for major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes.

Improving America's Schools Act (Title I) Fund

Title I is a program to enable schools to provide opportunities for children served to acquire the knowledge and skills contained in the challenging state and local content standards and to meet the challenging state and local performance standards developed for all children.

Head Start Fund

Project Head Start is a program to provide comprehensive health, educational, nutritional, social, and other services primarily to economically disadvantaged preschool children and their families and to involve parents in activities with their children so that the children will attain overall social competence.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities and for the major repairs thereto. Separate capital project funds are maintained to account for the proceeds of major general obligation bonds and other financing proceeds.

Capital Projects - Fund III

Prior to July 18, 1992, this fund was used to account for the proceeds and use of a special property tax levy dedicated to capital acquisition and improvements. Subsequent to July 18, 1992, this fund is used to account for the proceeds and use of certain General Obligation Bonds being issued for the purpose of acquiring and/or improving land for building sites and playgrounds and acquiring the necessary equipment and furnishings.

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Debt Service Funds

The Debt Service Funds, established to meet requirements of bond ordinances, are used to account for the accumulation of resources for the payment of general long-term debt principal, interest and related costs.

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Special Revenue	
	Improving America's Schools Act (Title I)	Head Start
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 660,517	\$ 157
Investments	-	-
Receivables	421,933	298,785
Interfund receivables	-	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,082,450	\$ 298,942
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		
Liabilities:		
Accounts, salaries, and other payables	\$ 185,257	\$ 136,497
Interfund payables	897,193	162,445
Deferred revenues	-	-
Deposits due others	-	-
Total Liabilities	1,082,450	298,942
Fund balances:		
Reserved for :		
Debt service	-	-
Unreserved:		
Designated for:		
Capital Projects	-	-
Total Fund Balances	-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 1,082,450	\$ 298,942

<u>Capital Projects</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	
<u>Capital Projects III Fund</u>	<u>Sinking Fund II</u>	<u>Total Non-major Governmental Funds</u>
\$ 17,357	\$ 443,184	\$ 1,121,215
-	-	-
-	-	720,718
-	-	-
<u>\$ 17,357</u>	<u>\$ 443,184</u>	<u>\$ 1,841,933</u>
\$ -	\$ -	\$ 321,754
-	-	1,059,638
-	-	-
-	-	-
<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,381,392</u>
-	443,184	443,184
<u>17,357</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,357</u>
<u>17,357</u>	<u>443,184</u>	<u>460,541</u>
<u>\$ 17,357</u>	<u>\$ 443,184</u>	<u>\$ 1,841,933</u>

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NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Special Revenue		Capital Projects III
	Improving America's Schools Act (Title I)	Head Start	Capital Projects III Fund
REVENUES			
Local sources:			
Taxes:			
Ad valorem	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Interest earnings	-	-	884
Total local sources	-	-	884
 Federal sources	 2,987,135	 1,489,365	 -
 TOTAL REVENUES	 2,987,135	 1,489,365	 884
 EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Expenses			
Instruction:			
Special programs	1,488,924	1,289,079	-
General administration	1,484,167	70,286	12,515
Capital outlay	14,044	130,000	-
Principal retirement	-	-	-
Interest and bank charges	-	-	-
Total expenditures	2,987,135	1,489,365	12,515
 EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	 -	 -	 (11,631)
 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (Uses)			
Operating transfers in	-	-	-
Operating transfers out	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	-	-
 NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES	 -	 -	 (11,631)
 FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	 -	 -	 28,988
 FUND BALANCE - ENDING	 \$ -	 \$ -	 \$ 17,357

Debt Service		Total Non-major Governmental Funds
Sinking II Fund	Debt Service Fund	
\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
3,436	-	4,320
<u>3,436</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,320</u>
-	-	4,476,500
<u>3,436</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,480,820</u>
-	-	2,778,003
-	-	1,566,968
-	-	144,044
385,000	-	385,000
830,702	-	830,702
<u>1,215,702</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,704,717</u>
(1,212,266)	-	(1,223,897)
1,215,702	-	1,215,702
-	-	-
<u>1,215,702</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,215,702</u>
3,436	-	(8,195)
439,748	-	468,736
<u>\$ 443,184</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 460,541</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - FINAL BUDGET AND ACTUAL
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Improving America's Schools Act (Title I) Fund

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive/ (Negative)
REVENUES			
Grants	\$ 3,925,386	\$ 2,987,135	\$ (938,251)
Total revenues	<u>3,925,386</u>	<u>2,987,135</u>	<u>(938,251)</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Special education programs	985,455	1,488,924	(503,469)
General administration	2,896,362	1,484,167	1,412,195
Capital outlay	43,569	14,044	29,525
Total expenditures	<u>3,925,386</u>	<u>2,987,135</u>	<u>938,251</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	-	-	-
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE - ENDING (Budgetary Basis)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUND
SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - FINAL BUDGET AND ACTUAL
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Head Start Special Revenue Fund

	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive/ (Negative)
REVENUES			
Grants	\$ 1,359,366	\$ 1,489,365	\$ 129,999
Total revenues	<u>1,359,366</u>	<u>1,489,365</u>	<u>129,999</u>
EXPENDITURES			
Special education programs	1,226,223	1,289,079	(62,856)
General Administration	133,143	70,286	62,857
Capital Outlay	-	130,000	(130,000)
Total expenditures	<u>1,359,366</u>	<u>1,489,365</u>	<u>(129,999)</u>
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	-	-	-
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR (Budgetary Basis)	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>	<u><u>\$ -</u></u>

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
FIDUCIARY TYPE FUNDS - AGENCY FUNDS DESCRIPTIONS**

Agency Funds account for assets held by an entity as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other entity's funds.

School Activity Fund

The activities of the various individual school accounts are accounted for in the School Activity Fund. While the fund is under the supervision of the School Board, these monies belong to the individual schools or their student bodies and are not available for use by the School Board.

Sales Tax Fund

The Sales Tax Fund accounts for the collection and distribution of St. John the Baptist Parish's four and three-quarters percent sales and use tax. Two and one-quarter percent is dedicated to the St. John the Baptist School Board and two and one-quarter percent is dedicated to the St. John the Baptist Parish Council and one-quarter percent is dedicated to the St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff's Department.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS
AND LIABILITIES - ALL AGENCY FUNDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

	School Activity Fund	Sales Tax Fund	Total
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 304,263</u>	<u>\$ 540,916</u>	<u>\$ 845,179</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 304,263</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 540,916</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 845,179</u></u>
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 519,690	\$ 519,690
Due to Sheriff	-	2,123	2,123
Due to St. John the Baptist Parish Council	-	19,103	19,103
Amounts held for school activities	<u>304,263</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>304,263</u>
Total liabilities	<u><u>\$ 304,263</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 540,916</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 845,179</u></u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - ALL AGENCY FUNDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2007</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deductions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>June 30, 2008</u>
School Activity Fund				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 389,218	\$ 1,784,243	\$ 1,869,198	\$ 304,263
Total assets	<u>\$ 389,218</u>	<u>\$ 1,784,243</u>	<u>\$ 1,869,198</u>	<u>\$ 304,263</u>
Liabilities:				
Amounts held for school activities	\$ 389,218	\$ 1,784,243	\$ 1,869,198	\$ 304,263
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 389,218</u>	<u>\$ 1,784,243</u>	<u>\$ 1,869,198</u>	<u>\$ 304,263</u>
Sales Tax Fund				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 351,255	45,734,915	\$ 45,545,254	540,916
Due from others	-	-	-	-
Total assets	<u>\$ 351,255</u>	<u>\$ 45,734,915</u>	<u>\$ 45,545,254</u>	<u>\$ 540,916</u>
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 313,793	\$ 519,690	\$ 313,793	519,690
Due to other funds	17,745	-	17,745	-
Due to Sheriff	1,972	2,123	1,972	2,123
Due to St. John the Baptist Parish Council	17,745	19,103	17,745	19,103
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 351,255</u>	<u>\$ 540,916</u>	<u>\$ 351,255</u>	<u>\$ 540,916</u>
Total Agency Funds				
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 740,473	\$ 47,519,158	\$ 47,414,452	\$ 845,179
Due from others	-	-	-	-
Total assets	<u>\$ 740,473</u>	<u>\$ 47,519,158</u>	<u>\$ 47,414,452</u>	<u>\$ 845,179</u>
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 313,793	\$ 519,690	\$ 313,793	\$ 519,690
Due to other funds	17,745	-	17,745	-
Due to Sheriff	1,972	2,123	1,972	2,123
Due to St. John the Baptist Parish Council	17,745	19,103	17,745	19,103
Amounts held for school activities	389,218	1,784,243	1,869,198	304,263
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 740,473</u>	<u>\$ 2,325,159</u>	<u>\$ 2,220,453</u>	<u>\$ 845,179</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
AGENCY FUND
SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN DEPOSIT BALANCES
OF INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

SCHOOL ACTIVITY AGENCY FUND

	BALANCE JUNE 30, 2007	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE JUNE 30, 2008
East St. John High School	\$ 140,632	\$ 679,775	\$ 704,504	\$ 115,903
East St. John Elementary School	34,388	66,568	79,980	20,976
Fifth Ward Elementary School	(209)	52,132	39,161	12,762
Garyville/Mt. Airy Magnet School	14,820	102,587	102,021	15,386
Lake Pontchartrain	36,196	129,665	134,877	30,984
John L. Ory School	27,815	141,503	149,690	19,628
LaPlace Elementary School	18,191	126,610	133,992	10,809
Leon Godchaux Junior High School	8,910	25,143	25,990	8,063
St. John Child Development Center	1,005	5,367	5,322	1,050
West St. John Elementary School	19,872	41,923	41,897	19,898
West St. John High School	87,598	412,970	451,764	48,804
	<u>\$ 389,218</u>	<u>\$ 1,784,243</u>	<u>\$ 1,869,198</u>	<u>\$ 304,263</u>
Total				

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION PAID TO SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Compensation</u>
Clarence G. Triche	\$ 9,600
Lowell Bacas	9,600
Dowie L. Gendron	5,600
James R. Madere	4,000
Gerald J. Keller, President	10,800
Albert Burl, III	9,600
Russ Wise	9,600
Russell Jack	9,600
Matthew J. Ory	9,600
Patrick Sanders, Vice President	9,600
Phillip Johnson	9,600
Keith Jones	9,600
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Total	\$ 106,800
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STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board's comprehensive annual financial report presents detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements, note disclosures and required supplementary information says about the School Board's overall financial health.

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These schedules contain service and infrastructure data to help the reader understand how the information in the School Board's financial report relates to the services the city provides and the activities it performs.

Sources: Unless otherwise noted, the information in these schedules is derived from the comprehensive annual financial reports for the relevant year. The School Board implemented GASB Statement 34 in fiscal year 2003; schedules presenting government-wide information beginning in that year.

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TABLE I

NOTE: Data for 1997 to 2001 is not reflected in this schedule since GASB Statement No. 34 became effective for fiscal year 2002.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 2

	Fiscal Year		
	2002	2003	2004
Expenses			
Governmental activities:			
Instruction:			
Regular programs	\$ 19,772,728	\$ 19,784,461	\$ 20,248,284
Special programs	10,243,308	11,407,112	11,584,844
Vocational programs	316,285	309,949	239,730
All other programs	1,754,972	2,354,578	2,308,797
Support services:			
Student services	2,140,092	2,411,708	2,348,836
Instructional staff support	895,101	935,262	922,409
General administration	2,196,707	2,385,267	2,813,429
School administration	3,019,261	3,178,424	3,219,785
Business services	543,579	555,792	525,215
Plant services	5,085,112	5,821,813	6,881,914
Student transportation services	2,291,647	2,360,755	2,656,631
Central services	740,893	831,030	688,649
Food services	2,418,379	2,626,535	2,828,091
Interest on long-term debt	1,722,124	1,046,720	1,080,253
Other expenses	2,616,808	-	-
Total governmental activities expenses	<u>55,756,996</u>	<u>56,009,406</u>	<u>58,346,867</u>
Total primary government expenses	<u>\$ 55,756,996</u>	<u>\$ 56,009,406</u>	<u>\$ 58,346,867</u>
Program Revenues			
Governmental activities:			
Charges for services:			
Food services	\$ 206,449	\$ 185,995	\$ 225,981
Operating grants and contributions:			
Regular programs	666,269	203,526	136,148
Special programs	2,835,466	2,520,818	3,203,920
Vocational programs	103,082	114,358	114,828
All other programs	1,562,983	1,823,062	1,334,279
Support services:			
Student services	-	-	-
Instructional staff support	-	-	-
General administration	1,141,052	1,293,066	1,424,945
School administration	-	-	-
Business services	-	-	-
Plant services	36,264	28,946	24,915
Student transportation services	196,678	167,770	188,721
Central services	-	-	-
Food services	2,013,861	2,116,391	2,257,756
Interest on long-term debt	-	-	-
Other expenses	-	-	-
Total governmental activities program revenues	<u>8,762,104</u>	<u>8,453,932</u>	<u>8,911,493</u>
Total primary government program revenues	<u>\$ 8,762,104</u>	<u>\$ 8,453,932</u>	<u>\$ 8,911,493</u>

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Fiscal Year			
2005	2006	2007	2008
\$ 21,379,204	\$ 24,349,500	\$ 24,845,861	\$ 30,613,428
12,063,500	12,942,963	14,226,140	15,883,587
219,572	215,483	194,051	207,560
2,585,421	3,245,968	2,492,920	3,149,134
2,336,802	2,660,527	3,054,163	3,442,823
909,696	993,860	1,111,398	1,514,019
2,710,209	2,662,521	3,344,080	3,412,840
3,154,429	3,721,536	3,825,921	4,358,661
525,486	543,780	553,857	591,841
4,973,360	7,507,573	8,124,718	8,618,574
2,893,520	3,043,732	3,339,890	4,097,585
745,169	801,433	1,258,247	1,290,086
2,896,033	3,074,365	3,293,383	3,407,584
956,844	781,549	1,454,734	1,345,354
-	-	-	-
<u>58,349,245</u>	<u>66,544,790</u>	<u>71,119,363</u>	<u>81,933,076</u>
<u>\$ 58,349,245</u>	<u>\$ 66,544,790</u>	<u>\$ 71,119,363</u>	<u>\$ 81,933,076</u>
\$ 200,657	\$ 212,647	\$ 234,516	\$ 219,037
166,572	133,109	116,738	157,040
3,888,749	3,678,346	4,109,518	5,143,280
114,353	108,350	102,995	77,784
1,713,170	5,372,331	3,345,196	3,387,948
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
1,257,320	1,341,285	148,223	144,652
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
15,076	24,870	19,759	20,776
145,143	109,353	183,271	197,937
-	-	-	-
2,465,570	2,492,766	2,445,378	2,562,097
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
<u>9,966,610</u>	<u>13,473,057</u>	<u>10,705,594</u>	<u>11,910,551</u>
<u>\$ 9,966,610</u>	<u>\$ 13,473,057</u>	<u>\$ 10,705,594</u>	<u>\$ 11,910,551</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS - CONTINUED
(ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 2

	Fiscal Year		
	2002	2003	2004
Net (expense)/revenue			
Governmental activities	\$ (46,994,892)	\$ (47,555,474)	\$ (49,435,374)
Total primary government net expense	<u>\$ (46,994,892)</u>	<u>\$ (47,555,474)</u>	<u>\$ (49,435,374)</u>
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Assets			
Governmental activities:			
Taxes:			
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	\$ 3,685,143	\$ 3,572,987	\$ 3,757,869
Property taxes, levied for debt services	3,955,700	3,835,393	4,033,794
Sales and use taxes, levied for general purposes	10,217,724	9,743,052	10,621,588
Sales and use taxes, levied for public improvement	1,786,983	1,695,948	1,850,642
State revenue sharing	193,443	193,625	196,468
Grants and contributions not restricted for specific purposes:			
Minimum Foundation Program	23,625,342	25,686,872	26,724,913
Other	1,227,728	966,847	1,315,250
Interest and investment earnings	311,121	194,480	113,168
Special items - proceeds from legal judgment	893,296	-	-
Miscellaneous	1,000	-	-
Total governmental activities	<u>45,897,480</u>	<u>45,889,204</u>	<u>48,613,692</u>
Total primary government	<u>\$ 45,897,480</u>	<u>\$ 45,889,204</u>	<u>\$ 48,613,692</u>
Changes in Net Assets			
Governmental activities	\$ (1,097,412)	\$ (1,666,270)	\$ (821,682)
Total primary government	<u>\$ (1,097,412)</u>	<u>\$ (1,666,270)</u>	<u>\$ (821,682)</u>

NOTE: Data for 1997 to 2001 is not reflected in this schedule since GASB Statement No. 34 became effective for fiscal year 2002.

Fiscal Year			
2005	2006	2007	2008
<u>\$ (48,382,635)</u>	<u>\$ (53,071,733)</u>	<u>\$ (60,413,769)</u>	<u>\$ (70,022,525)</u>
<u><u>\$ (48,382,635)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (53,071,733)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (60,413,769)</u></u>	<u><u>\$ (70,022,525)</u></u>
\$ 4,165,533	\$ 4,518,742	\$ 5,150,894	\$ 5,797,650
4,471,482	4,892,250	5,189,062	5,844,100
12,349,072	16,662,031	15,924,712	19,726,076
2,152,450	2,853,716	3,351,374	3,986,270
197,390	195,891	195,904	221,547
27,926,012	30,309,663	31,524,117	34,260,849
808,541	2,172,411	1,512,017	873,949
230,038	613,190	1,083,264	696,190
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
<u>52,300,518</u>	<u>62,217,894</u>	<u>63,931,344</u>	<u>71,406,631</u>
<u><u>\$ 52,300,518</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 62,217,894</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 63,931,344</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 71,406,631</u></u>
\$ 3,917,883	\$ 9,146,161	\$ 3,517,575	\$ 1,384,106
<u>\$ 3,917,883</u>	<u>\$ 9,146,161</u>	<u>\$ 3,517,575</u>	<u>\$ 1,384,106</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 3

	1999	2000	2001	2002
General fund				
Reserved	\$ 108,652	\$ 172,291	\$ 22,615	\$ 93,640
Unreserved	<u>2,550,911</u>	<u>2,868,696</u>	<u>6,624,877</u>	<u>6,403,219</u>
Total general fund	<u>\$ 2,659,563</u>	<u>\$ 3,040,987</u>	<u>\$ 6,647,492</u>	<u>\$ 6,496,859</u>
 All other governmental funds				
Reserved	\$ 3,806,307	\$ 1,453,081	\$ 1,712,208	\$ 1,480,710
Unreserved, reported in:				
Special revenue funds	40,655	151,084	126,551	127,454
Capital projects funds	<u>852,879</u>	<u>1,877,685</u>	<u>2,931,169</u>	<u>1,632,105</u>
Total all other governmental funds	<u>\$ 4,699,841</u>	<u>\$ 3,481,850</u>	<u>\$ 4,769,928</u>	<u>\$ 3,240,269</u>

<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
\$ 20,089	\$ 96,348	\$ 106,946	\$ 233,905	\$ 276,951	\$ 118,280
<u>4,102,260</u>	<u>3,963,711</u>	<u>4,961,236</u>	<u>9,281,688</u>	<u>9,700,440</u>	<u>9,374,028</u>
<u>\$ 4,122,349</u>	<u>\$ 4,060,059</u>	<u>\$ 5,068,182</u>	<u>\$ 9,515,593</u>	<u>\$ 9,977,391</u>	<u>\$ 9,492,308</u>
\$ 1,134,036	\$ 1,207,136	\$ 1,835,321	\$ 2,725,309	\$ 4,360,978	\$ 6,291,199
77,560	-	10,600	(21,828)	(72,708)	(70,362)
<u>3,288,704</u>	<u>1,068,695</u>	<u>604,546</u>	<u>3,033,404</u>	<u>18,557,026</u>	<u>4,916,402</u>
<u>\$ 4,500,300</u>	<u>\$ 2,275,831</u>	<u>\$ 2,450,467</u>	<u>\$ 5,736,885</u>	<u>\$ 22,845,296</u>	<u>\$ 11,137,239</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
CHANGES IN FUNDS BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(MODIFIED ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 4

	Fiscal Year		
	1999	2000	2001
Revenues			
Ad valorem taxes	\$ 6,701,392	\$ 6,796,680	\$ 7,273,261
Sales and use taxes	10,995,604	10,041,263	12,311,018
Interest earnings	579,013	550,563	288,757
Charges for services	183,725	183,095	167,150
Other	415,461	572,842	971,488
Minimum Foundation Program	19,744,903	20,768,749	23,128,143
Other state sources	1,661,550	1,363,391	1,491,012
Federal Grants	5,943,704	7,088,581	6,988,074
Total revenues	46,225,352	47,365,164	52,618,903
Expenditures			
Current:			
Instruction	23,933,481	25,264,944	26,615,253
Support services	15,056,771	15,104,552	16,225,773
Capital outlay	1,928,712	3,782,197	4,674,779
Debt service:			
Bond Issuance Cost	-	-	-
Principal	2,660,148	2,714,923	2,833,184
Interest	1,785,896	1,853,572	1,585,331
Total expenditures	45,365,008	48,720,188	51,934,320
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	860,344	(1,355,024)	684,583
Other financing sources (uses)			
Transfers in	1,050,000	-	950,000
Transfers out	(1,050,000)	-	(1,100,000)
Proceeds from the sale of capital assets	-	-	-
Premium on bonds sold	-	-	-
Discount on bonds sold	-	-	-
Payments to refunded bond escrow agent	(6,975,000)	-	(3,830,000)
Issuance of debt	6,976,663	518,457	8,190,000
Proceeds from insurance	-	-	-
Loan proceeds	-	-	-
Capital leases	-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	1,663	518,457	4,210,000
Net change in fund balances	\$ 862,007	\$ (836,567)	\$ 4,894,583
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	10.24%	10.17%	9.35%

Fiscal Year						
2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
\$ 7,640,843	\$ 7,408,380	\$ 7,791,663	\$ 8,637,015	\$ 9,410,992	\$ 10,339,957	\$ 11,641,750
12,004,707	11,439,000	12,472,230	14,501,522	19,515,747	19,276,086	23,712,346
311,121	194,480	113,168	230,038	613,190	1,083,264	696,189
206,449	185,995	225,981	200,657	212,647	234,516	219,037
1,237,045	564,176	614,632	451,170	1,433,003	949,491	416,648
23,625,342	25,686,872	26,724,913	27,926,012	30,309,663	31,524,117	34,260,849
1,460,127	1,756,127	1,792,845	1,485,508	1,940,733	1,154,455	1,972,051
7,280,654	7,108,106	7,789,753	8,835,206	12,254,976	10,075,052	10,398,311
<u>53,766,288</u>	<u>54,343,136</u>	<u>57,525,185</u>	<u>62,267,128</u>	<u>75,690,951</u>	<u>74,636,938</u>	<u>83,317,181</u>
30,831,168	32,816,597	32,956,838	35,175,354	39,235,224	40,371,164	47,468,056
20,530,158	22,893,701	22,050,592	21,239,576	23,536,791	27,360,611	41,241,541
906,906	509,662	270,072	186,869	593,904	806,856	1,186,128
-	-	-	-	-	310,480	-
2,765,639	3,542,948	3,420,000	3,630,000	3,775,000	3,980,000	4,235,000
1,306,006	1,094,707	1,114,442	1,022,570	816,203	1,292,619	1,379,596
<u>56,339,877</u>	<u>60,857,615</u>	<u>59,811,944</u>	<u>61,254,369</u>	<u>67,957,122</u>	<u>74,121,730</u>	<u>95,510,321</u>
<u>(2,573,589)</u>	<u>(6,514,479)</u>	<u>(2,286,759)</u>	<u>1,012,759</u>	<u>7,733,829</u>	<u>515,208</u>	<u>(12,193,140)</u>
1,700,000	1,633,612	1,707,713	1,500,000	-	2,682,977	3,231,343
(1,700,000)	(1,633,612)	(1,707,713)	(1,500,000)	-	(2,682,977)	(3,231,343)
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	(945,000)	-
-	(8,850,000)	-	(3,020,000)	-	-	-
-	14,250,000	-	3,190,000	-	18,000,000	-
893,297	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>893,297</u>	<u>5,400,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>170,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>17,055,000</u>	<u>-</u>
<u>\$ (1,680,292)</u>	<u>\$ (1,114,479)</u>	<u>\$ (2,286,759)</u>	<u>\$ 1,182,759</u>	<u>\$ 7,733,829</u>	<u>\$ 17,570,208</u>	<u>\$ (12,193,140)</u>
<u>7.35%</u>	<u>7.68%</u>	<u>7.62%</u>	<u>7.62%</u>	<u>6.82%</u>	<u>7.62%</u>	<u>5.95%</u>

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES TAX REVENUES BY SOURCE
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(ACCRUAL BASIS OF ACCOUNTING)
(UNAUDITED)**

TABLE 5

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Ad Valorem Tax</u>	<u>Sales and Use Tax</u>	<u>Total</u>
1999	\$ 6,701,392	\$ 10,995,604	\$ 17,696,996
2000	6,796,680	10,041,263	16,837,943
2001	7,273,261	12,311,018	19,584,279
2002	7,640,843	12,004,707	19,645,550
2003	7,408,380	11,439,000	18,847,380
2004	7,791,663	12,472,230	20,263,893
2005	8,637,015	14,501,522	23,138,537
2006	9,410,992	19,515,747	28,926,739
2007	10,339,957	19,276,086	29,616,043
2008	11,641,750	23,712,346	35,354,096

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
ASSESSED VALUE AND ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE OF TAXABLE PROPERTY
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 6

Fiscal Year	Real Property Assessed Value	Other Property Assessed Value	Total Assessed Value	Amount of Homestead Exemption	Total Taxable Assessed Value	Total Direct Tax Rate	Estimated Actual Taxable Value	Assessed Value as a Percentage of Actual Value
1999	\$ 21,790,320	\$ 185,335,562	\$ 207,125,882	\$ 58,864,202	\$ 148,261,680	46.59	\$ 1,428,454,359	14.50%
2000	23,007,164	189,528,144	212,535,308	60,669,556	151,865,752	46.59	1,465,760,745	14.50%
2001	23,843,894	198,599,230	222,443,124	62,950,401	159,492,723	46.59	1,534,090,510	14.50%
2002	25,119,581	211,659,719	236,779,300	64,884,024	171,895,276	46.59	1,632,960,690	14.50%
2003	25,698,735	213,311,804	239,010,539	66,995,819	172,014,720	46.59	1,648,348,545	14.50%
2004	26,291,242	216,130,028	242,421,270	67,444,625	174,976,645	46.59	1,671,870,828	14.50%
2005	28,889,702	237,168,743	266,058,445	73,278,332	192,780,113	46.59	1,834,885,828	14.50%
2006	29,871,639	255,812,283	285,683,922	75,088,592	210,595,330	47.05	1,970,233,945	14.50%
2007	33,362,856	287,288,847	320,651,703	77,905,006	242,746,697	43.92	2,211,391,055	14.50%
2008	37,899,279	317,999,023	355,898,302	80,999,207	274,899,095	43.83	2,454,471,280	14.50%

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
PROPERTY TAX RATES
DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 7

Fiscal Year	St. John the Baptist Parish School Board				Overlapping Rates		
	St. John the Baptist Parish School Board				Parish		
	Operating Millage	Debt Service Millage	Total City Millage	Operating Millage	Debt Service Millage	Total Parish Millage	Total Direct & Overlapping Rates
1999	22.47	24.12	46.59	39.57	-	39.57	86.16
2000	22.47	24.12	46.59	40.27	-	40.27	86.86
2001	22.47	24.12	46.59	40.03	-	40.03	86.62
2002	22.47	24.12	46.59	40.03	-	40.03	86.62
2003	22.47	24.12	46.59	40.54	-	40.54	87.13
2004	22.47	24.12	46.59	40.15	-	40.15	86.74
2005	22.47	24.12	46.59	40.15	-	40.15	86.74
2006	22.47	24.12	46.59	40.15	-	40.15	86.74
2007	21.92	22.00	43.92	40.06	-	40.06	83.98
2008	21.83	22.00	43.83	40.06	-	40.06	83.89

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
PRINCIPAL PROPERTY TAXPAYERS
Current Year and 9 Years Ago
June 30, 2008
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 8

Taxpayer	2008			1999		
	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Assessed Value	Taxable Assessed Value	Rank	Percentage of Total Taxable Assessed Value
Marathon Oil Company	\$ 90,415,550	1	25.40%	*	*	*
E.I. Dupont de Nemours & Co.	9,125,066	2	2.56%	*	*	*
Dupont Performance	9,010,918	3	2.53%	*	*	*
Louisiana Machinery	7,361,571	4	2.07%	*	*	*
Bayou Steel Corporation	5,361,412	5	1.51%	*	*	*
NALCO Chemical Company	4,900,308	6	1.38%	*	*	*
Entergy Louisiana, Inc.	4,790,220	7	1.35%	*	*	*
Clark Oil	4,156,354	8	1.17%	*	*	*
Capital One	3,858,954	9	1.08%	*	*	*
Bengal Pipeline	3,197,220	10	0.90%	*	*	*
TOTALS	<u><u>\$ 142,177,573</u></u>		<u><u>39.95%</u></u>	<u><u>*</u></u>		<u><u>*</u></u>

* Did not report in 1999.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
PROPERTY TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(UNAUDITED)**

TABLE 9

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Total Tax Levy for Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Collected within the Fiscal Year of the Levy</u>		<u>Collections for Subsequent Years</u>	<u>Total Collections to Date</u>	
		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage of Levy</u>		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percentage of Levy</u>
1999	\$ 6,907,512	\$ 6,567,364	95%	\$ 134,028	\$ 6,701,392	97%
2000	7,075,425	6,660,746	94%	135,934	6,796,680	96%
2001	7,430,766	7,127,796	96%	145,465	7,273,261	98%
2002	8,008,601	7,733,578	97%	157,828	7,891,406	99%
2003	8,014,166	7,260,212	91%	148,168	7,408,380	92%
2004	8,152,162	7,860,808	96%	160,425	8,021,233	98%
2005	8,981,625	8,705,560	97%	177,665	8,883,225	99%
2006	9,811,636	9,480,058	97%	193,471	9,673,529	99%
2007	10,661,435	10,339,956	97%	304,185	10,644,141	100%
2008	12,048,827	11,981,587	99%	N/A	11,981,587	99%

Source: St. John the Baptist Parish Sheriff's Office

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
RATIOS OF OUTSTANDING DEBT BY TYPE
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 10

Fiscal Year	Governmental Activities							Total Primary Government	Percentage of personal Income	Per Capita
	General Obligation Bonds	Sales Tax Revenue Bonds	Notes to Banks	Capital Leases	Certificate of Indebtedness					
1999	\$ 31,720,000	\$ -	\$ 171,344	\$ 14,809	\$ -		\$ 31,891,344	3.46%	\$	709
2000	29,155,000	-	492,154	-	-		29,647,154	3.08%		653
2001	26,770,000	1,000,000	374,168	-	3,500,000		31,644,168	3.01%		735
2002	24,415,000	990,000	287,948	-	3,150,000		28,842,948	2.58%		656
2003	26,935,000	980,000	-	-	3,200,000		31,115,000	2.66%		695
2004	24,005,000	970,000	-	-	2,720,000		27,695,000	*		608
2005	21,040,000	960,000	-	-	2,235,555		24,235,555	*		527
2006	17,765,001	945,001	-	-	1,750,000		20,460,002	*		409
2007	14,385,000	17,750,000	-	-	1,400,000		33,535,000	*		696
2008	10,885,000	17,365,000	-	-	1,050,000		29,300,000	*		619

* Information not available

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
RATIOS OF GENERAL BONDED DEBT OUTSTANDING
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(UNAUDITED)**

TABLE 11

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>General Obligation Bonds *</u>	<u>Less: Amounts Available in Debt Service Fund **</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Percentage of Estimated Actual Taxable Value of Property</u>	<u>Per Capita ***</u>
1998	\$ 33,605,000	\$ 2,685,445	\$ 30,919,555	2.18%	\$ 731.65
1999	31,720,000	1,957,421	29,762,579	2.08%	661.74
2000	29,155,000	1,258,391	27,896,609	1.90%	614.73
2001	26,770,000	755,196	26,014,804	1.70%	604.38
2002	24,415,000	1,079,941	23,335,059	1.43%	530.61
2003	26,935,000	986,983	25,948,017	1.57%	579.87
2004	24,005,000	1,037,767	22,967,233	1.37%	504.43
2005	21,040,000	1,541,877	19,498,123	1.06%	423.74
2006	17,765,001	2,516,355	15,248,646	0.77%	331.00
2007	14,385,000	3,815,310	10,569,690	0.48%	227.00
2008	10,885,000	5,767,458	5,117,542	0.21%	108.00

* Amount does not include special assessment, sales tax or revenue bonds.

** Amount available for repayment of general obligation bonds.

*** The 1998 through 2000 and 2002 through 2007 population is based on Research Division, College of Administration and Business, Louisiana Tech University.
2001 is based on the 2000 census.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
DIRECT AND OVERLAPPING GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES DEBT
As of June 30, 2008
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 12

<u>Governmental Unit</u>	<u>Debt Outstanding</u>	<u>Estimated Percentage Applicable</u>	<u>Estimated Share of Overlapping Debt</u>
Debt repaid with property taxes: St. John the Baptist Parish Council	<u>\$ 10,885,000</u>	100%	<u>\$ 10,885,000</u>
Subtotal, overlapping debt	10,885,000		10,885,000
St. John the Baptist Parish School Board	<u>27,475,000</u>	100%	<u>27,475,000</u>
Total direct and overlapping debt	<u>\$ 38,360,000</u>		<u>\$ 38,360,000</u>

Note: Overlapping governments are those that coincide, at least in part, with the geographic boundaries of the Parish. This schedule estimates the portion of the outstanding debt of those overlapping governments that is borne by the residents and businesses of St. John the Baptist Parish. This process recognizes that, when considering the government's ability to issue and repay long-term debt, the entire debt burden borne by the residents and businesses should be taken into account. However, this does not imply that every taxpayer is a resident, and therefore responsible for repaying the debt of each overlapping government.

The percentage of overlapping debt applicable is estimated using taxable assessed property values. Applicable percentages were estimated by determining the portion of the Board's taxable assessed value that is within the government's boundaries and dividing it by the Parish's total taxable assessed value.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
LEGAL DEBT MARGIN INFORMATION
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(UNAUDITED)**

TABLE 13

	Fiscal Year			
	1999	2000	2001	2002
Debt limit	\$ 72,494,059	\$ 74,387,358	\$ 77,855,093	\$ 82,872,755
Total net debt applicable to limit	<u>(31,720,000)</u>	<u>(29,155,000)</u>	<u>(26,770,000)</u>	<u>(24,415,000)</u>
Legal debt margin	<u>\$ 40,774,059</u>	<u>\$ 45,232,358</u>	<u>\$ 51,085,093</u>	<u>\$ 58,457,755</u>
Total net debt applicable to the limit as a percentage of debt limit	<u>43.76%</u>	<u>39.19%</u>	<u>34.38%</u>	<u>29.46%</u>

(1) State law allows a maximum of 35% of assessed valuation for total bonded general obligation debt.

Fiscal Year					
2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
\$ 83,653,689	\$ 84,847,445	\$ 93,120,456	\$ 99,989,373	\$ 112,228,096	\$ 124,564,406
(26,935,000)	(24,005,000)	(21,040,000)	(17,765,000)	(14,385,000)	(10,885,000)
<u>\$ 56,718,689</u>	<u>\$ 60,842,445</u>	<u>\$ 72,080,456</u>	<u>\$ 82,224,373</u>	<u>\$ 97,843,096</u>	<u>\$ 113,679,406</u>
<u>32.20%</u>	<u>28.29%</u>	<u>22.59%</u>	<u>17.77%</u>	<u>12.82%</u>	<u>8.74%</u>

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2008

Assessed value	<u>\$ 355,898,302</u>
(1) Debt Limit - 35% of \$355,898,302	124,564,406
Deduct - Amount of debt applicable to debt limit	
Bonded debt	<u>(10,885,000)</u>
Legal Debt Margin	<u>\$ 113,679,406</u>

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC STATISTICS
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 14

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Parish Population (1)</u>	<u>Parish Total Personal Income</u>	<u>Parish Per Capita Personal Income (2)</u>	<u>Unemployment Rate (3)</u>	<u>School Enrollment</u>	<u>Median Age</u>	<u>Education Level in Years of Formal Schooling</u>
1999	44,976	\$ 921,108,480	\$ 20,480	7.0%	6,698	*	*
2000	45,380	963,961,960	21,242	9.2%	6,646	*	*
2001	43,044	1,052,597,976	24,454	6.6%	6,563	*	*
2002	43,978	1,119,064,188	25,446	6.9%	6,310	*	*
2003	44,748	1,167,922,800	26,100	8.9%	6,400	*	*
2004	45,531	*	24,820	4.2%	6,449	*	*
2005	46,014	*	24,964	7.0%	6,585	*	*
2006	50,000	*	24,750	4.6%	6,764	*	*
2007	48,200	*	*	7.4%	6,782	*	*
2008	47,342	*	*	4.1%	6,753	*	*

Sources:

- (1) St. John Public Library
- (2) Survey of Current Business
- (3) Louisiana Department of Labor

* Information not available

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
PRINCIPAL EMPLOYERS
Current Year and Nine Years Ago
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 15

Employer	Location	2008			1999		
		Employees	Rank	% of Total St. John Parish Employment	Employees	Rank	% of Total St. John Parish Employment
St. John Parish School Board	Reserve	1,041	1	7.49%	*	*	*
Marathon Oil	Garyville	744	2	5.35%	*	*	*
Walmart	Laplace	600	3	4.32%	*	*	*
Dupont	Laplace	575	4	4.14%	*	*	*
Bayou Steel	Laplace	498	5	3.58%	*	*	*
River Parish Hospital	Laplace	429	6	3.09%	*	*	*
Nalco Chemical	Garyville	212	7	1.53%	*	*	*
Louisiana Machinery	Reserve	202	8	1.45%	*	*	*
Baumer Food, Inc.	Reserve	150	9	1.08%	*	*	*
Pepsi America	Reserve	125	10	0.90%	*	*	*
Cargill	Reserve	111	11	0.80%	*	*	*
TOTAL		4,687		33.73%	*		*

* Did not report in 1999

Source:
St. John the Baptist Parish Assessor's Office

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT DISTRICT EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION/PROGRAM
Last Five Years
(Unaudited)

TABLE 16

<u>Function/Program</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Regular Instruction	352	368	361	366	375
Special Instruction	199	207	205	207	212
Student Services	68	75	73	76	76
Instructional Staff	10	12	12	12	14
General Administration	12	13	13	13	16
School Administration	45	48	47	51	54
Business Services	7	7	7	7	7
Plant Services	61	64	63	65	69
Student Transportation	75	80	78	78	80
Central Services	7	8	8	8	8
Food Services	61	58	61	60	63
Total	897	940	928	943	974

NOTE: Information prior to fiscal year 2004 is not available.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
OPERATING STATISTICS
Last Ten Years
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 17

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Operating Expenses</u>	<u>Cost Per Pupil</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>	<u>Teaching Staff</u>	<u>Average Daily Enrollment</u>	<u>Average Daily Attendance</u>	<u>Percent Change Enrollment</u>	<u>Student Attendance Percentage</u>
1999	6,698	\$ 39,711,105	\$ 5,929	*	*	6,545	6,150	*	*
2000	6,646	41,888,592	6,303	6.31%	*	6,495	6,093	7.60%	0.93%
2001	6,563	43,614,013	6,645	5.44%	*	6,493	6,096	0.30%	0.50%
2002	6,310	49,753,139	7,885	18.65%	*	6,396	6,002	-1.49%	-1.54%
2003	6,400	58,645,174	9,163	16.21%	*	6,360	5,920	-5.60%	-2.37%
2004	6,449	53,431,263	8,285	-9.58%	485	6,418	6,027	0.91%	1.81%
2005	6,585	55,914,699	8,491	2.49%	493	6,367	5,935	-0.79%	-1.53%
2006	6,764	63,334,277	9,363	10.27%	498	6,933	6,425	8.89%	8.26%
2007	6,782	66,935,212	9,870	5.41%	500	6,599	6,170	-4.82%	3.93%
2008	6,753	75,817,147	11,227	13.76%	511	6,512	6,086	-1.32%	-1.36%

* This information is unavailable.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
SCHOOL BUILDING INFORMATION
Last Ten Years
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 18

<u>District Building</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
Early Childhood Facility						
Child Development Center - 1963						
Square Feet	25,191	25,191	25,191	25,191	25,191	25,191
Capacity	255	255	255	255	255	255
Enrollment	207	201	199	105	106	110
K-8 Facilities						
East St John Elementary - 1986						
Square Feet	92,643	92,643	92,643	92,643	92,643	92,643
Capacity	855	855	855	855	855	855
Enrollment	962	812	946	783	644	738
Fifth Ward Elementary - 1990						
Square Feet	64,326	64,326	64,326	64,326	64,326	64,326
Capacity	610	610	610	610	610	610
Enrollment	462	416	513	457	538	511
Garyville Magnet - 1995						
Square Feet	82,042	82,042	82,042	82,042	82,042	82,042
Capacity	625	625	625	625	625	625
Enrollment	566	603	664	619	495	470
John L Ory - 1935						
Square Feet	47,417	47,417	47,417	47,417	47,417	47,417
Capacity	435	435	435	435	435	435
Enrollment	411	443	474	452	436	424
Lake Ponchartrain - 1988						
Square Feet	136,663	136,663	136,663	136,663	136,663	136,663
Capacity	1,155	1,155	1,155	1,155	1,155	1,155
Enrollment	698	693	1,018	974	1,115	1,060
Laplace Elementary - 1968						
Square Feet	78,090	78,090	78,090	78,090	78,090	78,090
Capacity	1,115	1,115	1,115	1,115	1,115	1,115
Enrollment	1,015	1,087	1,080	1,005	1,005	1,040

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
SCHOOL BUILDING INFORMATION (CONTINUED)
Last Ten Years
(UNAUDITED)

TABLE 18

Leon Godchaux Accelerated Program - 1908

Square Feet	75,611	75,611	75,611	75,611	75,611	75,611
Capacity	244	244	244	244	244	244
Enrollment	74	134	130	166	132	150

West St. John Elementary - 1952

Square Feet	76,623	76,623	76,623	76,623	76,623	76,623
Capacity	645	645	645	645	645	645
Enrollment	390	378	374	374	644	384

High Schools

East St John High - 1978

Square Feet	206,189	206,189	206,189	206,189	206,189	206,189
Capacity	2,032	2,032	2,032	2,032	2,032	2,032
Enrollment	1,336	1,493	1,720	1,564	1,513	1,400

St. John Redirection Center - 1965

Square Feet	13,520	13,520	13,520	13,520	13,520	13,520
Capacity	130	130	130	130	130	130
Enrollment	44	49	41	59	17	25

West St. John High - 1984

Square Feet	86,100	86,100	86,100	86,100	86,100	86,100
Capacity	430	430	430	430	430	430
Enrollment	252	238	243	236	237	230

Other Facilities

Central Office - 1968

Square Feet	22,270	22,270	22,270	22,270	22,270	22,270
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Special Ed Center - 1968

Square Feet	8,817	8,817	8,817	8,817	8,817	8,817
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SCHEDULES REQUIRED BY STATE LAW

(R.S. 24:514 - PERFORMANCE AND STATISTICAL DATA)

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Members of the
St. John the Baptist Parish School Board
Reserve, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included in the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide* and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of **St. John the Baptist Parish School Board** (the "School Board") and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about the performance and statistical data accompanying the annual financial statements of the School Board and to determine whether the specified schedules are free of obvious errors and omissions as provided by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) Bulletin. The School Board management is responsible for the selected performance statistical data. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Our procedures and findings relate to the accompanying schedules of supplemental information and are as follows:

General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources (Schedule 1)

1. We selected a random sample of 25 transactions and reviewed supporting documentation to determine if the sampled expenditures/revenues are classified correctly and are reported in the proper amounts for each of the following amounts reported on the schedule:
 - Total General Fund Instructional Expenditures,
 - Total General Fund Equipment Expenditures,
 - Total Local Taxation Revenue,
 - Total Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property,
 - Total State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes,

- Nonpublic Textbook Revenue, and
- Nonpublic Transportation Revenue.

No exceptions were noted.

Education Levels of Public School Staff (Schedule 2)

2. We reconciled the total number of full-time classroom teachers per the schedule "Experience of Public Principals and Full-time Classroom Teachers" to the combined total number of full-time classroom teachers per this schedule and to School Board supporting payroll records as of October 1, 2007.

No exceptions were noted.

3. We reconciled the combined total of principals and assistant principals per the schedule "Experience of Public Principals and Full-time Classroom Teachers" to the combined total of principals and assistant principals per this schedule.

No exceptions were noted.

4. We obtained a list of full-time teachers, principals, and assistant principals by classification as of October 1, 2007 and as reported on the schedule. We traced a random sample of 25 teachers to the employee's personnel file and determined that the employee's education level was properly classified on the schedule.

No exceptions were noted.

Number and Type of Public Schools (Schedule 3)

5. We obtained a list of schools by type as reported on the schedule. We compared the list to the schools and grade levels as reported on the Title 1 Grants to Local Educational Agencies (CFDA 84.010) application and/or the National School Lunch Program (CFDA 10.555) application.

No exceptions were noted.

Experience of Public Principals and Full-time Classroom Teachers (Schedule 4)

6. We obtained a list of full-time teachers, principals, and assistant principals by classification as of October 1, 2007 and as reported on the schedule and traced the same sample used in procedure 4 to the employee's personnel file and determined that the employee's experience was properly classified on the schedule.

No exceptions were noted.

Public Staff Data (Schedule 5)

7. We obtained a list of all classroom teachers including their base salary, extra compensation, and ROTC or rehired retiree status as well as full-time equivalent as reported on the schedule and traced a random sample of 25 teachers to the individual's personnel file and determined if the employee's salary, extra compensation, and full-time equivalents were properly included on the schedule.

No exceptions were noted.

8. We recalculated the average salaries and full-time equivalents reported in the schedule.

No exceptions were noted.

Class Size Characteristics (Schedule 6)

9. We obtained a list of classes by school, school type, and class size as reported on the schedule and reconciled school type classifications to Schedule 3 data, as obtained in procedure 5. We then traced a random sample of 10 classes to the October 1, 2007 roll books for those classes and determined that the class was properly classified on the schedule.

No exceptions were noted.

Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP) for the 21st Century (Schedule 7)

10. We obtained test scores as provided by the testing authority and reconciled scores as reported by the testing authority to the scores reported in the schedule by the School Board.

No exceptions were noted.

The Graduation Exit Exam for the 21st Century (Schedule 8)

11. We obtained test scores as provided by the testing authority and reconciled scores as reported by the testing authority to scores reported in the schedule by the School Board.

No exceptions were noted.

The IOWA Test (Schedule 9)

12. We obtained test scores as provided by the testing authority and reconciled scores as reported by the testing authority to scores reported in the schedule by the School Board.

No exceptions were noted.

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management of the School Board, the Louisiana Department of Education, the Louisiana Legislature, and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and is not intended to be and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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December 1, 2008

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures
and Certain Local Revenue Sources
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

General Fund Instructional and Equipment Expenditures**General Fund Instructional Expenditures:****Teacher and Student Interaction Activities:**

Classroom Teacher Salaries	\$ 26,067,165	
Other Instructional Staff Activities	128,708	
Employee Benefits	9,494,179	
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	0	
Instructional Materials and Supplies	1,404,340	
Instructional Equipment	<u>68,886</u>	
Total Teacher and Student Interaction Activities		\$ 37,163,278

Other Instructional Activities

Pupil Support Activities	3,287,409	
Less: Equipment for Pupil Support Activities	<u>-</u>	
Net Pupil Support Activities		3,287,409

Instructional Staff Services	1,455,435	
Less: Equipment for Instructional Staff Services	<u>9,762.00</u>	
Net Instructional Staff Services		<u>1,445,673</u>

Total General Fund Instructional Expenditures \$ 41,896,360

Total General Fund Equipment Expenditures \$ 78,648

Certain Local Revenue Sources**Local Taxation Revenue:**

Constitutional Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 970,636
Renewable Ad Valorem Tax	4,827,014
Debt Service Ad Valorem Tax	5,844,099
Up to 1% of Collections by the Sheriff on Taxes Other than School Taxes	10,759,313
Sales and Use Taxes	8,966,763
Total Local Taxation Revenue	<u><u>\$ 31,367,825</u></u>

Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property:

Earnings from 16th Section Property	10,870.00
Earnings from Other Real Property	-
Total Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property	<u><u>\$ 10,870.00</u></u>

State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes:

Revenue Sharing - Constitutional Tax	\$ 64,208
Revenue Sharing - Other Taxes	157,339
Revenue Sharing - Excess Portion	-
Other Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	10,300
Total State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes	<u><u>\$ 231,847</u></u>

Nonpublic Textbook Revenue \$ 145,424

Nonpublic Transportation Revenue \$ 159,583

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Education Levels of Public School Staff
As of October 1, 2007

Category	Full-time Classroom Teachers				Principals & Assistant Principals			
	Certificated		Uncertificated		Certificated		Uncertificated	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Less than a Bachelor's Degree	-	0.00%	8	20.51%	-	0.00%	-	NA
Bachelor's Degree	361	75.84%	31	79.49%	-	0.00%	-	NA
Master's Degree	72	15.13%	-	0.00%	18	60.00%	-	NA
Master's Degree + 30	43	9.03%	-	0.00%	12	40.00%	-	NA
Specialist in Education	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	NA
Ph. D. or Ed. D.	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	0.00%	-	NA
Total	476	100.00%	39	100.00%	30	100.00%	-	0.00%

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Number and Type of Public Schools
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Type	Number
Elementary	7
Middle/Jr. High	1
Secondary	2
Combination	2
Total	12

Note: Schools opened or closed during the fiscal year are included in this schedule.

Disclosure: We only tested schools which offered a curriculum
higher than Kindergarten and did not exceed the twelfth grade level.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Experience of Public Principals and Full-time Classroom Teachers
As of October 1, 2007

	0-1 Yr.	2-3 Yrs.	4-10 Yrs.	11-14 Yrs.	15-19 Yrs.	20-24 Yrs.	25+ Yrs.	Total
Assistant Principals	6	3	6	3	0	0	0	18
Principals	2	3	3	4	0	0	0	12
Classroom Teachers	124	61	107	51	68	24	80	515
Total	132	67	116	58	68	24	80	545

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Public School Staff Data
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

	All Classroom Teachers	Classroom Teachers Excluding ROTC and Rehired Retirees
Average Classroom Teachers' Salary Including Extra Compensation	\$ 50,809.15	*
Average Classroom Teachers' Salary Excluding Extra Compensation	\$ 50,200.67	*
Number of Teacher Full-time Equivalents (FTEs) used in Computation of Average Salaries	\$ 523.00	*

* Not available

Note: Figures reported include all sources of funding (i.e., federal, state, and local) but exclude employee benefits. Generally, retired teachers rehired to teach receive less compensation than non-retired teachers and ROTC teachers receive more compensation because of a federal supplement.

Disclosure: Information was obtained from the Data Verification Report for the 2007-2008 school year.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Class Size Characteristics
As of October 1, 2007

School Type	Class Size Range							
	1 - 20		21 - 26		27 - 33		34+	
	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
Elementary	34.6%	401	55.0%	638	10.0%	116	0.4%	5
Elementary Activity Classes	26.6%	98	59.5%	219	13.0%	48	0.8%	3
Middle/Jr. High	100.0%	70	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-
Middle/Jr. High Activity Classes	100.0%	18	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-
High	46.6%	311	31.9%	213	19.0%	127	2.5%	17
High Activity Classes	86.5%	134	11.6%	18	1.3%	2	0.6%	1
Combination	100.0%	30	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-
Combination Activity Classes	100.0%	10	0.0%	-	0.0%	-	0.0%	-

Note: The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has set specific limits on the maximum size of classes at various grade levels. The maximum enrollment in grades K-3 is 26 students and maximum enrollment in grades 4-12 is 33 students. These limits do not apply to activity classes such as physical education, chorus, band, and other classes without maximum enrollment standards. Therefore, these classes are included only as separate line items.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
Louisiana Educational Assessment Program (LEAP) for the 21st Century
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts						Mathematics					
	2008		2007		2006		2008		2007		2006	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 4												
Advanced	16	3%	11	2%	14	3%	16	3%	9	2%	15	3%
Proficient	92	18%	61	12%	60	11%	100	20%	39	8%	66	12%
Basic	221	43%	265	51%	238	44%	223	44%	235	45%	206	38%
Approaching Basic	109	21%	99	19%	127	23%	101	20%	118	23%	134	25%
Unsatisfactory	74	14%	81	16%	105	19%	72	14%	116	22%	123	23%
Total	512		517		544		512		517		544	

District Achievement Level Results	Science						Social Studies					
	2008		2007		2006		2008		2007		2006	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 8												
Advanced	0	0%	3	1%	1	0%	0	0%	2	0%	0	0%
Proficient	31	6%	42	8%	25	5%	15	3%	30	6%	13	3%
Basic	161	31%	155	31%	134	27%	210	41%	213	43%	188	38%
Approaching Basic	164	32%	156	31%	209	41%	150	29%	134	27%	176	35%
Unsatisfactory	97	19%	143	29%	136	27%	76	15%	120	24%	123	25%
Total	453		499		505		451		499		500	

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
The Graduation Exit Exam for the 21st Century
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts						Mathematics					
	2008		2007		2006		2008		2007		2006	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 10												
Advanced	1	0%	3	1%	0	0%	14	4%	8	2%	14	3%
Proficient	25	7%	20	5%	18	4%	37	10%	34	9%	27	6%
Basic	163	46%	145	36%	179	37%	158	44%	158	40%	161	33%
Approaching Basic	94	27%	128	32%	152	32%	83	23%	79	20%	107	22%
Unsatisfactory	70	20%	104	26%	129	27%	65	18%	118	30%	173	36%
Total	353		400		478		357		397		482	

District Achievement Level Results	Science						Social Studies					
	2008		2007		2006		2008		2007		2006	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 11												
Advanced	3	1%	8	2%	2	1%	0	0%	4	1%	2	1%
Proficient	29	8%	19	5%	14	4%	12	3%	22	6%	6	2%
Basic	94	27%	111	30%	78	22%	160	47%	151	39%	140	38%
Approaching Basic	92	27%	115	31%	133	37%	87	25%	89	23%	94	26%
Unsatisfactory	125	36%	113	31%	135	37%	84	24%	118	31%	123	34%
Total	343		366		362		343		384		365	

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Schedule 9

The iLEAP Tests

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2006		2006		2006		2006	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 3								
Advanced	7	1%	7	1%	1	0%	4	1%
Mastery	58	12%	40	8%	24	5%	17	4%
Basic	192	40%	192	40%	159	33%	207	43%
Approaching Basic	124	26%	141	29%	211	44%	138	29%
Unsatisfactory	104	21%	105	22%	90	19%	117	24%
Total	485	100%	485	100%	485	100%	483	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2006		2006		2006		2006	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 5								
Advanced	5	1%	11	2%	2	0%	5	1%
Mastery	39	8%	29	6%	30	6%	12	2%
Basic	194	39%	198	40%	148	29%	195	39%
Approaching Basic	165	33%	124	25%	204	41%	152	30%
Unsatisfactory	99	20%	139	28%	118	24%	136	27%
Total	502	100%	501	100%	502	100%	500	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2006		2006		2006		2006	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 6								
Advanced	6	1%	5	1%	1	0%	4	1%
Mastery	47	9%	35	7%	28	5%	20	4%
Basic	271	51%	262	49%	218	41%	232	44%
Approaching Basic	138	26%	109	20%	207	39%	152	29%
Unsatisfactory	72	13%	122	23%	78	15%	121	23%
Total	534	100%	533	100%	532	100%	529	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2006		2006		2006		2006	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 7								
Advanced	14	3%	10	2%	1	0%	0	0%
Mastery	56	11%	27	5%	33	7%	22	4%
Basic	230	46%	202	41%	170	34%	224	46%
Approaching Basic	134	27%	131	26%	153	31%	141	29%
Unsatisfactory	62	13%	125	25%	137	28%	102	21%
Total	496	100%	495	100%	494	100%	489	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics	
	2006		2006	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 9				
Advanced	3	1%	7	2%
Mastery	33	9%	31	8%
Basic	183	49%	189	50%
Approaching Basic	124	33%	83	22%
Unsatisfactory	34	9%	65	17%
Total	377	100%	375	100%

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Schedule 9

The iLEAP Tests

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2007		2007		2007		2007	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 3								
Advanced	7	1%	8	2%	2	0%	1	0%
Mastery	71	15%	59	12%	31	6%	34	7%
Basic	197	41%	214	44%	176	37%	210	44%
Approaching Basic	120	25%	122	25%	196	41%	144	30%
Unsatisfactory	87	18%	79	16%	77	16%	93	19%
Total	482	100%	482	100%	482	100%	482	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2007		2007		2007		2007	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 5								
Advanced	6	1%	8	2%	5	1%	3	1%
Mastery	45	11%	33	8%	35	8%	33	8%
Basic	182	43%	176	41%	140	33%	181	42%
Approaching Basic	106	25%	93	22%	157	37%	108	25%
Unsatisfactory	86	20%	115	27%	88	21%	101	24%
Total	425	100%	425	100%	425	100%	426	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2007		2007		2007		2007	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 6								
Advanced	1	0%	7	1%	1	0%	9	2%
Mastery	38	7%	38	7%	20	4%	21	4%
Basic	244	45%	229	43%	201	37%	216	40%
Approaching Basic	154	29%	126	23%	213	40%	153	28%
Unsatisfactory	102	19%	138	26%	103	19%	139	26%
Total	539	100%	538	100%	538	100%	538	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2007		2007		2007		2007	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 7								
Advanced	13	3%	4	1%	0	0%	0	0%
Mastery	42	8%	25	5%	29	6%	32	6%
Basic	211	42%	251	50%	182	36%	216	43%
Approaching Basic	175	34%	115	23%	185	36%	156	31%
Unsatisfactory	67	13%	112	22%	111	22%	102	20%
Total	508	100%	507	100%	507	100%	506	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics	
	2007		2007	
Students	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Grade 9				
Advanced	1	0%	3	1%
Mastery	19	4%	19	4%
Basic	179	40%	168	38%
Approaching Basic	175	39%	108	24%
Unsatisfactory	72	16%	147	33%
Total	446	100%	445	100%

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

Schedule 9

The iLEAP Tests
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2008		2008		2008		2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Students								
Grade 3								
Advanced	3	1%	11	2%	4	1%	5	1%
Mastery	66	14%	45	9%	24	5%	37	8%
Basic	215	45%	232	49%	155	32%	229	48%
Approaching Basic	122	26%	97	20%	194	41%	127	27%
Unsatisfactory	72	15%	93	19%	101	21%	80	17%
Total	478	100%	478	100%	478	100%	478	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2008		2008		2008		2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Students								
Grade 5								
Advanced	5	1%	7	2%	2	0%	2	0%
Mastery	47	11%	32	7%	23	5%	23	5%
Basic	187	43%	181	41%	144	33%	195	45%
Approaching Basic	120	27%	100	23%	178	41%	121	28%
Unsatisfactory	80	18%	119	27%	92	21%	97	22%
Total	439	100%	439	100%	439	100%	438	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2008		2008		2008		2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Students								
Grade 6								
Advanced	2	0%	12	2%	8	2%	3	1%
Mastery	49	10%	29	6%	27	5%	9	2%
Basic	232	47%	240	49%	203	41%	189	38%
Approaching Basic	135	27%	93	19%	180	36%	166	34%
Unsatisfactory	76	15%	120	24%	77	16%	128	26%
Total	494	100%	494	100%	495	100%	495	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics		Science		Social Studies	
	2008		2008		2008		2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Students								
Grade 7								
Advanced	10	2%	6	1%	1	0%	4	1%
Mastery	43	9%	21	4%	22	4%	19	4%
Basic	240	48%	204	41%	168	34%	222	45%
Approaching Basic	149	30%	143	29%	195	39%	139	28%
Unsatisfactory	53	11%	121	24%	110	22%	111	22%
Total	495	100%	495	100%	496	100%	495	100%

District Achievement Level Results	English Language Arts		Mathematics	
	2008		2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Students				
Grade 9				
Advanced	1	0%	6	1%
Mastery	34	8%	26	6%
Basic	198	46%	181	42%
Approaching Basic	147	34%	108	25%
Unsatisfactory	54	12%	112	26%
Total	434	100%	433	100%

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD
Reserve, Louisiana**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
AND INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE
SINGLE AUDIT ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1996
AND
*GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS***

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL
OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE
AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Members of the
St. John the Baptist Parish School Board
Reserve, Louisiana

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of St. John the Baptist Parish School Board (the "School Board"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the School Board's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 1, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the School Board's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School Board's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School Board's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the School Board's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the School Board's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the School Board's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the School Board's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School Board's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board, the School Board's management, the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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December 1, 2008

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Members of the
St. John the Baptist Parish School Board
Reserve, Louisiana

Compliance

We have audited the compliance of St. John the Baptist Parish School Board (the "School Board") with the types of compliance requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008. The School Board's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. Compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to each of its major federal programs is the responsibility of the School Board's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the School Board's compliance based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the School Board's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the School Board's compliance with those requirements.

In our opinion, the School Board complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that are applicable to each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2008.

Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of the School Board is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to federal programs. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the School Board's internal control over compliance with the requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School Board's internal control over compliance.

A *control deficiency* in an entity's internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to administer a federal program such that there is more than a remote likelihood that noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the School Board as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, and have issued our report thereon dated December 1, 2008. Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming our opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School Board's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board, the School Board's management, the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
RESERVE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-Through or Grantor/Program or Cluster Title</u>	<u>Grant Pass-Through Number</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Federal Expenditures</u>
United States Department of Agriculture:			
Passed-through Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry - Food Distribution	-	10.550	\$ 143,271
Passed-through Louisiana Department of Education:			
National Breakfast Program	-	10.553	622,005
National School Lunch Program (Sections II & IV)	-	10.555	<u>1,796,821</u>
Total United States Department of Agriculture			<u>2,562,097</u>
United States Department of Health and Human Services:			
Direct Program - Administration for Children, Youth and Families - Head Start	-	93.600	1,359,366
Passed-through Louisiana Department of Education:			
Prevention Health Services - Medicaid	-	93.778	<u>118,388</u>
Total United States Department of Health and Human Services			<u>1,477,754</u>

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
RESERVE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-Through or Grantor/Program or Cluster Title</u>	<u>Grant Pass-Through Number</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Federal Expenditures</u>
United States Department of Education:			
Passed-through Louisiana Department of of Education:			
Adult Education (ABE):			
2007 ABE Basic Federal Carryover	0444-48	84.002A	\$ 13,798
2008 ABE Basic Federal	0444-48	84.002A	41,989
2007 ABE Federal Corrections	0444-48	84.002A	2,533
2007 One Stop Center (July – Sept 2007)	0444-48	84.002A	329
2006 One Stop Center – Adult Education	0444-48	84.002A	<u>4,190</u>
			<u>62,839</u>
Assistance to Homeless Youth (tutoring)			
HERA	28-06-IH-48	84.938B	<u>2,208</u>
			<u>2,208</u>
Special Education:			
IDEA, Part B	28-07-B1-48	84.027A	2,055,180
IDEA, Pre-school	28-08-P1-48	84.173	<u>100,965</u>
			<u>2,156,145</u>
Vocational Education:			
2007 Carl Perkins - carryover	28-07-02-48	84.048	12,271
2007 Carl Perkins	28-06-02-48C	84.048	<u>65,513</u>
			<u>77,784</u>
Improving America's Schools Act –			
2008 Title I *	28-08-T1-48	84.010A	2,637,829
East St. John Hi & El *	28-06-TA-48	84.010A	1,783
Lake Pontchartrain (Year 1 suppl) *	28-05-TA-48	84.010A	142,898
East St. John High & El (Year 2) *	28-07-TA-48	84.010A	<u>204,671</u>
			<u>2,987,181</u>

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**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
RESERVE, LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (CONTINUED)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

<u>Federal Grantor/Pass-Through or Grantor/Program or Cluster Title</u>	<u>Grant Pass-Through Number</u>	<u>Federal CFDA Number</u>	<u>Federal Expenditures</u>
2007 Title II - Part A Teacher Quality	-	84.367A	\$ 414,177
Title II Part D EETT Technology	28-07-49-48	84.318	11,105
Title III – LEP	-	84.365A	11,003
Title IV Safe and Drug Free	-	84.186A	45,946
Title V Innovative Education Program Strategies	-	84.298.A	195,464
LA Gear-Up	-	84.334S	9,536
TSEC (Targeting Special Education Certification)	CFMS#65750	84.027A	<u>7,512</u>
Total United States Department of Education			<u>5,980,900</u>
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			<u>\$ 10,020,751</u>

* Tested as a major program in the current year.

The accompanying Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are an integral part of this schedule.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
RESERVE, LOUISIANA
NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

NOTE 1 - GENERAL

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards presents the activity of all federal financial assistance programs of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board (the "School Board"). The School Board reporting entity is defined in Note 1 to the basic financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2008. All federal financial assistance received directly from federal agencies is included on the schedule, as well as federal financial assistance passed-through other government agencies.

NOTE 2 - BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is presented using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which is described in Note 1 to the School Board's basic financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2008. The value of noncash assistance is the fair value of the noncash items used during the year. Any received but unused commodities are reflected as deferred revenue until used.

NOTE 3 - RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Federal financial assistance revenues are reported in the School Board's basic financial statements as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
From federal sources	<u>\$ 3,114,314</u>	<u>\$ 6,906,437</u>	<u>\$10,020,751</u>

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

A. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board (the "School Board").
2. No significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting are reported in the *Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards*.
3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of the School Board, which would be required to be reported in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, were disclosed during the audit.
4. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the major federal award programs are reported in the *Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program and on Internal Control Over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133*.
5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the School Board expresses an unqualified opinion on all major federal programs.
6. There were no findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133.
7. The following program was identified as major programs:

<u>Name of Federal Program (or Cluster)</u>	<u>CFDA No.</u>
Title I	84.010A

8. The threshold for distinguishing Type A and Type B programs was \$300,000.
9. The School Board qualified as a low-risk auditee.
10. A management letter was issued for the year ended June 30, 2008.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

There were no findings related to the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2008.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (CONTINUED)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

**C. FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAM
AUDIT**

There were no findings related to federal awards for the year ended June 30, 2008.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

SECTION I FINDINGS RELATED TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

There were no findings reported in this section.

SECTION II FINDINGS RELATED TO MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS

There were no findings reported in this section.

SECTION III OBSERVATIONS REPORTED IN THE MANAGEMENT LETTER

There was no management letter issued for the year ended June 30, 2007.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008**

There were no findings for the year ended June 30, 2008; therefore, a corrective action plan is not required.

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH
SCHOOL BOARD
RESERVE, LOUISIANA**

MEMORANDUM OF ADVISORY COMMENTS

For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Contact: Felix Boughton
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We have audited the basic financial statements of the St. John the Baptist Parish School Board (the "School Board") for the year ended June 30, 2008 and have issued our report thereon dated December 1, 2008. As part of our audit, we considered the School Board's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine the nature, timing and extent of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control.

However, during our audit we became aware of matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal control and operating efficiency. The memorandum that accompanies this letter summarizes our observations and recommendations regarding these matters. We previously reported on the School Board's internal control in a separately issued report entitled *Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards* dated December 1, 2008. This letter does not affect our report dated December 1, 2008 on the financial statements of the School Board.

We will review the status of these matters during our next audit engagement. We have discussed our recommendations with management of the School Board and have included their corrective action plan. We will be pleased to discuss our recommendations with you in further detail at your convenience, perform any additional analysis of these matters, or assist you in implementing our recommendations.

Sincerely,

Rebowe & Company

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH SCHOOL BOARD
OBSERVATIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND
CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CONTINUED)
June 30, 2008**

OBSERVATION 08-1: FIXED ASSET RECONCILIATION

We noted instances where the fixed asset listing provided by the School Board did not agree to the general ledger amounts. Additionally, in our agreed upon procedures for the school accounts, we observed many instances where fixed assets that should have been included on the schools' inventory listings were either not included on the schedules or were not tagged. We also could not locate several fixed assets that were included on the schools' inventory listings.

RECOMMENDATION

We recommend that the fixed asset schedule and inventory listings be reconciled to the general ledger on a monthly basis.

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Implementation Date – During 2009.

Person Responsible - Felix Boughton, Executive Director of Finance, (985) 536-1106.

Action Planned – The transition to the new MUNIS computer software system will facilitate the necessary reconciliations which the School Board and the individual schools will begin to perform, as recommended.